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SAMANA BAY.

Arrival Home of the Commissioners—How They Were Received in San Domingo—Terms of the Treaty.

The news of the ratification of the treaty between the Samana Bay Company and the Dominican Government for the transfer of Samana Bay and Peninsula, was received in Wallstreet with surprise. Few knew of the enterprise until it was announced in the newspapers, and as it seemed to afford scope for new speculations, operators on the street were eager to gain a knowledge of the scheme in all its features. First of all came the inquiry, Is there any Samana stock for sale? and an eager demand for shares would probably have sprung up had there been any obtainable; but no stock appeared to be ready, speculation was prevented, except, indeed, as to the probable price it would attain when it did appear on the market. It was currently reported, and generally believed, that most of the stock had already been taken up by those who had organized the Company, so that they would no doubt realize handsomely by the venture.

As was to be expected, the office of Mr. Rowland R. Hasard, Jr., the Secretary of the new Company, in Broad-street, was literally besieged all day by anxious inquirers, who wished to know the intentions of the Samana Bay Company relative to the issue of its stock. Mr. Hasard maintained a masterly silence regarding the matter, neither could he tell when the stock would be ready, the probable price to be demanded, or how it would be put upon the market. It was too early for any definite decision, and operators must wait for a few days. In fact the liveliest interest was manifested in the scheme, and nearly every one who ventured an opinion upon the subject expressed the belief that the Company would be very successful.

Some further facts have been obtained regarding the origin of the movement for the purchase of Samana Bay by an American company. It appears that when the capitalists who are at the head of the Company first decided to enter into negotiations with the Dominican Government, they prepared a private circular on the subject and circulated it among those they deemed most likely to take an interest in such a gigantic scheme. The following is a copy of this circular:

Strictly Private.

NO. 120 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Oct. 29, 1872.

Upon the failure of the proposed Treaty of Annexation of the Republic of San Domingo to the United States, a convention has been prepared, with the application of leading citizens of that Republic, which concedes to individuals to be organized into an association under the name of the "Samana Bay Company of San Domingo," all the rights, privileges, and immunities over and in the Bay and Peninsula of Samana which were ceded to the United States by the said proposed treaty; to hold all the public lands on said Peninsula of Samana, the waters of Samana bay, and the islands and reefs thereto, without taxation, with ample powers over said lands and waters, and special privileges to establish commercial lines; a bank of issue, with branches; to construct railways, common roads, and telegraph lines; to acquire vast tracts of the richest mineral lands on the globe, and of agricultural lands of wonderful fertility—in fee, for nominal considerations.

It is understood that our Government looks with favor upon an enterprise directed toward an increase of our national commerce with this free people, and approves an effort to stimulate the cultivation of staple tropical productions, so largely imported into this country, by free labor, and under the direction of our own citizens.

It is evident that this fertile island will soon become a part of the United States.

The President, in his message to the Forty-first Congress, says: "I was thoroughly convinced that the best interests of this country, commercially and materially, demanded its ratification (the Treaty of Annexation.) Time has only confirmed me in this view. I now firmly believe * * * that a free port will be negotiated for by European nations. In the Bay of Samana a large commercial city will spring up, to which we will be tributary, without receiving corresponding benefits, and then will be seen the folly of our rejecting so great a prize. San Domingo with a stable government, under which her immense resources can be developed, will give remunerative wages to tens of thousands of laborers not now upon the island. This labor will then advantage of every available means of transportation to abandon the adjacent islands and seek the blessings of freedom, and its sequence, each inhabitant receiving the reward of his own labor."

The Commissioners, in their report, say: "San Domingo is capable of supporting millions of people. Land is cheap—in fertility it certainly equals, and probably surpasses, the neighboring islands; and it is even better suited to the production of sugar and coffee. It could supply the entire market of the United States with these great West India staples."

Dr. Samuel G. Howe, of Boston, one of the Commissioners, in a recent letter says: "No commercial enterprise upon record ever gave promise of so much good to the enslaved races—and to oppressed native races—such developments of internal resources, such expansion of commercial relations, and such rich returns to those who first enter upon it, as does this one. I say so, mindful of the grand old companies of the East Indies, and other great enterprises of past ages.

History shows that during the first half century after it was possessed by the Spaniards, it sprang suddenly into such wealth and importance as to be the wonder of the world. * * * It has now all the immense resources and capabilities which the spaniards failed to develop."

Mr. L. D. M. Barlow, who has devoted great attention to the subject, writes: "The power of such a combination would control the island, its lands and commerce. It will build up a State, and make every acre of land on the island not only as good as that of Cuba, but as that of Illinois."

It is proposed to organize this company by associating fifteen gentlemen of high character, who will receive the concession from the Dominican Government; and it is indispensable to the success of the great enterprise that they should take some personal interest in the formation of the State and contribute in some direction to its development and prosperity.

Immediate action is indispensable to secure these valuable grants. It will afford me pleasure to explain the details to you, if you have any desire to participate in what must be regarded as an exceptional opportunity for doing a great public service and reaping a great pecuniary reward.

Very respectfully,

ROWLAND R. HAZARD, JR.,

Arrival Home of the Company's Commissioners.

The steam-ship Tybee, of the Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company, arrived last evening at Quarantine, having on board Col. J. Scott Stewart, Capt. Samuel Samuels, and C. W. Harrison, Esq., the three Commissioners sent out by the Samana Bay Company to negotiate for the purchase of Samana Bay and Peninsula. They arrived at Samana in due time, and were warmly welcomed by President Baez, of the Dominican Republic, and the principal members of his Government. The fact that three Commissioners had arrived from New-York, charged with instructions to enter into negotiations for certain portions of the Island of San Domingo soon spread, and the enthusiasm of the people was unbounded. The transition from wintry weather in New-York to the tropical heat and varied scenery of the Island of San Domingo appeared wonderful to the Commissioners, and they were delighted with the reception accorded them. Before proceeding definitely to the business they had come to transact, the Commissioners held several long and interesting interviews with President Baez, when they mutually discussed the proposed purpose in all its bearings, the concessions to be gained by the Company and the Dominican Government through the treaty to be consummated. President Baez expressed himself more than satisfied by the propositions brought by the Commissioners, for they would afford his Government an opportunity of establishing itself upon a more substantial and enduring basis. Indeed, both President Baez and his Cabinet seemed to consider the cession of the territory embraced in Samana Bay and Peninsula to an American company of capitalists as the next best thing to giving it to the United States Government, or, at least, that it would serve as a connecting link between the two republics, besides being the means of introducing an element of enterprise and strength to the Dominican Republic. It was at these interviews that the details of the arrangement were decided upon. An exhaustive account of the whole matter of the purchase is contained in the San Domingo *Bulletin Officiel* of the 31st ultimo. A whole side of the paper is taken up with the proclamation of President Baez, and the action taken by the San Domingo Congress with regard to the sale. President Baez, in his proclamation, goes at length into the question. He particularly dwells upon the failure of the intended treaty with the United States Government for the cession of the Samana territory. The treaty proposed by the Samana Bay Joint Stock Company he strongly advocates as equally advantageous to both this Government and the Company. The proclamation concludes by calling together a special session of the Dominican Congress to consider the question. Immediately after the issue of this proclamation, the Legislature promptly assembled, and the whole matter of the proposed purchase was placed before them by President Baez, in a message covering the whole ground. The terms offered by the Company and the privileges to be granted by the Republic were then discussed by the members, and debated upon at great length. Finally, the Dominican Congress ratified the treaty drawn up by the representatives of the Company. It was then referred to Mr. Gautier, Secretary of State for the Republic of San Domingo, as required by law. He, after a careful consideration of the document and a few unimportant alterations on minor details, returned it with his full indorsement and sanction to Congress. The latter body then, in accordance with the existing forms of law, presented it to the "Consulting Senate" to be finally ratified. In due course of time the treaty was signed on the part of San Domingo by President Baez and M. Gautier, Secretary of State, and on the part of the Samana Bay Company by T. Scott Stewart, Samuel Samuels, and C. W. Harrison, the three Commissioners. The contract, as already stated, went into full effect on the 1st January, and is regarded by most people in San Domingo as really equivalent to the annexation of the whole island, for that event, it is claimed, must follow soon. Owing to the late hour at which the Commissioners arrived last evening, they were unable to make a report of their proceedings to any of the gentlemen forming the Company residing in New-York. None of the stockholders had any personal intercourse with the Commissioners, and many of them seemed surprised to learn that they were in town.

The Terms of the Treaty.

The communication of President Baez to the Senate is dated 2d January, 1873, from the Executive residence, in the City of San Domingo. In this document he says that the time had arrived to ameliorate the condition of the Republic; and he had found the means by developing and protecting immigration to the island, which would tend to develop the immense resources of the country. The agreement, he says, was already made, but was subject to the approbation of the Senate and the people at large, through a *plebiscite*; and he stated that the project would be submitted to them afterward in due time. The President then submitted the agreement, which was that of the leasing of the Peninsula and Bay of Samana and other privileges, as contracted between the representatives of the Republic of San Domingo, Señor Manuel Maria Gautier, Secretary of State, of the Interior, of Police, and Agriculture, who were duly authorized to perfect the proposed agreement, and by the representatives of "The Company of the Buyers of the Bay of Samana of San Domingo," viz.: Samuel G. Howe, Alden B. Stockwell, Paul N. Spofford, Frederick Schuchardt, Samuel L. M. Barlow, T. Scott Stewart, James P. Scott, George M. Pullman, C. K. Garrison, Samuel Samuels, John Stewart Henry, Charles Oliver Ames, H. W. Gray, and their associates and successors and assigns, united as a Company. The agreement guarantees that they (the Company) shall have perpetual succession and possession of the property, and shall have only one seal for every act of theirs, and shall have all the privileges accorded to all corporations in the United States. The principal in cash of said Company would be $800,000, in United States currency, divided in 8,000 shares, of value at par of $100 each. The said capital and the number of shares may be increased from time to time by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the amount of the capital. The Company has the right and authority to fix the value of their shares, from time to time. No individual member of the Company shall be held responsible for more than his own portion of the stock. The business of the Company will be conducted by a council of managers, twenty-nine in number, to be either citizens of San Domingo, or any other nationality, who will or may be participants in the profits of the Company. The Company is also given full power to purchase property either in America or in the Dominican Republic, and the Government of San Domingo reserves to itself the right to inspect the books of the Company at any time.

Article 4 of the proclamation states that all the rights and privileges offered to the United States under the proposed treaty of November, 1869, are now freely conceded to the "Samana Bay Company," and they give to the Company full power over the islands and shores of the Bay of Samana, with the privileges of selling them or building on them as they may think fit. For every three miles of railroad or canal so built by the Company within five years the Company will receive from the Dominion Government the absolute ownership of a square league of land on the island.

Article 10 states that, for those privileges, which will come into force on Jan. 1, 1873, the Company, or their successors and assigns, will pay or cause to be paid to the Government of San Domingo the sum of $150,000 in American gold yearly, in advance, on the first day of January of each year, in the City of San Domingo. The first payment ought to have been made on the 1st of January, 1873, if it be not made before. The President, in conclusion, submits the agreement for ratification to the Senate, which is signed by Manuel Maria Gautier, Messrs. Samuels, Stewart, and Harrison, and deposited with the Secretary of State.

The Consulting Senate of the Dominican Republic thereupon met, under President Pedro T. Ganido, and duly resolved to ratify the agreement presented, provided it was submitted to the people for their verdict. The proclamation of President Baez to the Dominican people then follows. It is dated the 4th of January, and says in substance, considering that the plebiscite of 16th of February, 1860, showed the willingness of the Dominican people to be annexed to the United States, he had no doubt that they would ratify this new treaty, as he was certain that the Company would carry out all of its propositions for the improvement and development of the resources of the island. He therefore called upon his people to proceed to their alcaldes and deposit their votes in due form.

ILLINOIS.

The Senatorship—Democrats Protesting Against Gov. Oglesby.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 16.—The Legislature, today, passed a joint resolution to vote for United States Senator on the 21st inst.

This evening, the Democrats and "Liberals" of both Houses met in joint caucus, and nominated Lyman Trumbull for Senator by acclamation. The caucus resolved to enter a protest in each House against the election of Oglesby to the United States Senate as being "unconstitutional and void."

THE INDIANS.

Meeting of the Commissioners in Washington—Work the Past Three Years.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—At the meeting of the Board of Indian Commissioners, Gen. Halpin commended the labors of the Board of Indian Commissioners, believing that during the past three years there had been established what never before existed—an organized Indian policy—and that its continuance for four more years would settle finally the Indian question in a manner befitting a great Christian nation. There had been some blunders by the army, and much confusion resulted from the relations existing between the civil and military arms, but nevertheless, the army was today, almost without exception, in favor of peace.

Mr. Brunot, Chairman of the Board, said that in his travels of over 40,000 miles in Indian country during the past three years, on the service connected with the Board, he had always met the greatest kindness and courtesy from army officers of every grade, and he had never met with an officer of rank in the army who, understanding the view of the Board and the policy of the President, did not heartily sympathize with it and express a desire to cooperate with it in its high aims and object. The meeting today was principally occupied in interchanging views on the desirability of concerted action on the part of all the religious bodies in support of measures for the general welfare of the Indians, and passed a resolution unanimously indorsing the sentiments of President Grant, as expressed in a letter to Mr. Joe H. Stuart, of Philadelphia, dated Oct. 26, 1872, and a committee of five was appointed to lay it before him, which was accordingly done by Dr. Wappie, Mr. Tatham, Mr. King, Dr. Dascioli, and Dr. Lowrie.

Messrs. Brunot, Chairman, Campbell, Bishop, Foley, and Long, the Board of Indian Commissioners, accompanied by T. K. Cree, Esq., Secretary of the Board, paid an official visit to President Grant.

THE WEATHER.

Synopsis and Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17—1 A. M.—The barometer has continued falling from South Carolina to New-England and Eastern New-York, being lowest over Lake Ontario. It has risen from the North-west, the upper lakes, and Lake Erie, to the Gulf, with fresh and brisk northerly to westerly winds, a decided fall of temperature, and clear and clearing weather. Cloudy weather, with rain and fresh to brisk southeasterly to south-westerly winds are now prevailing from New-England and Eastern New-York to Eastern Georgia.

PROBABILITIES.

For New-England, cloudy weather and rain, but winds veering to westerly and northerly during Friday afternoon and night, with clearing weather and decided fall of temperature. For the Middle States, winds veering to brisk westerly and northerly, clear and clearing weather, and a decided fall in temperature. From the upper lakes and Lake Erie to the Gulf and South Atlantic coasts northerly to westerly winds, low and falling temperature, and clear and clearing weather. Cautionary signals are ordered to continue at Cape May, New-York, New-London, Boston, and Portland, Me.

City Meteorogical Report.

The following record will show the changes in the temperature yesterday, with the average for the same, as indicated by the thermometer at Dickinson's drug-store, No. 3 Parkrow: 3 A. M., 38°; 6 A. M., 34°; 9 A. M., 36°; 12 M., 47½; 3 P. M., 51½°; 6 P. M., 51½°; 9 P. M., 48°; 12 P. M., 45°. Average temperature yesterday, 43¾°.

The Kansas Senatorship.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 16.—A special from Topeka, Kansas, says an informal caucus of Anti-Pomeroy members of the Legislature was held last night, at which seventy-nine members were present, being a majority of twenty-six on joint ballot. Pledges were given to oppose the election of Pomeroy. No definite action was taken looking to concentration upon any opposing candidate, which fact gives hope to Pomeroy's friends, who consider the jealousy between rivals for succession stronger than general opposition to Pomeroy. Another caucus will be held tonight, when it is probable that an attempt will be made to unite upon an opposition candidate.

Disfranchisement in Arkansas—No Senator Elected Yet.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 16.—A bill prescribing the manner of submitting the pending constitutional amendment, restoring the franchise to the disfranchised, to a vote of the people on March 23, passed both Houses today.

Another ballot was had for United States Senator today, without any choice. The vote stood as follows: Dorsey, 42; Bowen, 23; Garland, 35; scattering, 5.

Reported Robbery of a Freight-Car on the Hudson River Railroad.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 16.—It is reported that on the arrival of the Hudson River freight-train in this city, this afternoon, it was found that a car had been broken open and boxes of silk valued at $2,000 or $3,000 had been carried off. The weight of the boxes was 634 pounds.

A French Tragedy.

The Court of Assizes at Lyons has recently condemned two men to death and another to hard labor for life for a murder committed under circumstances of peculiar atrocity. It appears that one of the prisoners (Vieillard) was to have been tried on the 29th of May last on a charge of abstracting 7,000 francs' worth of gas from the mains belonging to the Lyons Gas Company, and that the murdered man, Patricot, was to have been the principal witness against him. Upon the morning of the previous day, the 28th, Patricot's body was discovered in a by-road of one of the Lyons suburbs, terribly mutilated, and sewn up in a large sack. The evidence produced at the trial proved very conclusively that the murdered man, who was seventy-eight years of age and very poor, was lured from his house into some lonely place by the promise of obtaining work, and that Vieillard had induced two men, named Perret and Nuce, to assist him in committing the crime, on condition that they be paid 500 francs for their help. The deceased, in company with the prisoners, was seen close to the place where his corpse was afterward discovered by several witnesses upon the night in question, and there was other evidence, such as the finding of blood-stained clothes in their possession, to insure the conviction of the three accused. As Nuce lent the use of his house to commit the murder, in which he was proved to have taken an active part, it is hard to see what were the extenuating circumstances which have procured him exemption from the sentence pronounced upon his two accomplices, unless indeed the jury considered certain previous bankruptcies which were proved against the two latter were to be taken into account against them.

The Connecticut Governorship.

The letter of Hon. John T. Wait, declining to be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor of Connecticut, reads as follows:

NORWICH, Conn., Jan. 13, 1873.

Editor Bulletin:

My name, with those of several other gentlemen in the State, having been connected with the Republican nomination for Governor at the approaching election, permit me to say through your columns that, under existing circumstances, I decline being a candidate for the office. I am not willing to remain in a position where, by so doing, I might embarrass the Republican Party, or prevent harmonious action in the State Convention. I am indebted to the Republicans of Connecticut for many honors heretofore conferred on me, and prefer to do everything on my part, that will contribute to the success of the party and its principles at the coming election. Respectfully yours,

JOHN T. WAIT.

ALBANY.

Remodeling the Insurance Department—Rochester—The Board of Immigration—New-York Police—Education.

From Our Special Correspondent.

ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 16, 1873.

Nothing of consequence was accomplished in either House today; but in both there were indications that business is being prepared for final action as rapidly as possible, and that as fast as they get through the Committees, they will be acted upon by the Houses. We are to have a brief session, as there is a determination to close the session within the one hundred days. As yet there is nothing to show any reason for the prolongation of the session, unless it may be found in the fact that the labors of the Constitutional Commission will not be submitted to the Legislature until after the expiration of fifty days from the 1st inst., and it will require some time and care to prepare the laws necessary for the submission of their labors to a vote of the people after they have been approved by the Legislature of next year. But by that time the Clerks' desks will be well cleared, and even this labor need not extend the session. The more important business, such as the New-York Charter, will be finished early in the session.

In the Assembly this morning, some important petitions, resolutions, and bills were introduced. Most of the first were in reference to the Usury law, petitions being presented from Chemung and Madison Counties in favor of a repeal of the law, and from Wayne County protesting against the repeal. In connection with this subject a resolution was passed requesting persons sending petitions in reference to the Usury law, to attach their occupation to their names.

Among the bills introduced were the following:

By Mr. Babcock, of Niagara—Amending the law creating the Insurance Department, by which it is provided that the term of the present Superintendent shall expire on the 4th day of February, 1873, and providing that the term of his immediate successor shall extend three years from Jan. 1. The salary of the Superintendent of Insurance is fixed at $7,000 per annum, and it is provided that all examinations of insurance companies shall be made by the Superintendent or his deputy, and that nothing shall be charged except necessary traveling expenses. It is the chief purpose of this bill to legislate out of office Hon. O. W. Chapman, who was appointed by Gov. Hoffman a few days prior to the expiration of his term of office, but as Mr. Chapman is considered by many a sound Republican, and nothing has been charged against his personal interity, the bill has already developed considerable opposition among influential Republicans in the Assembly.

By Mr. Clapp, of Putnam—A bill authorizing the Commissioner of Public Works of New-York to acquire title to property necessary to keep up the City supply of water, in the same way that railroad corporations are now permitted to take titles by legal proceedings.

By Mr. Crary, of New-York—Authorizing writs of mandamus and of prohibition to issue to the Special Term of the Supreme Court, or to any Justice thereof holding such term or sitting at Chambers.

By Mr. Pierson, of Albany—Appropriating $50,000 to improve the navigation of the Hudson River between Troy and Coxsackie.

By Mr. Fort, of Oswego—A bill making an appropriation to pay the officers of the last Assembly for services rendered at the opening of the present session, which, by unanimous consent, was read a third time and passed, this being the first bill passed by the present Assembly.

In the Senate, Mr. Weismann introduced his charter for the City of New-York. It is the same as that already published in the TIMES, and of course the reading was formal only. Senator Tiemann also presented his charter, and it was ordered to be printed. There is no point in either of these charters which has not been fully adverted to before, and the discussion of them this morning was confined to the lobby after the close of business.

Mr. D. P. Wood presented three bills in relation to the City of Rochester, which, if passed, as they doubtless will be, will undo all the work of last session in regard to that city. In presenting them he said he understood the Senator from that district (Mr. Lord) was favorable to the bills, though he did not present them himself. As their intent is to repeal all the acts which that Senator introduced last year, his consent at this time appears to have been given from inability to do anything else. These new bills repeal the act for supplying the city with water, for changing the sites of public buildings, and for the repeal of several other local acts affecting the city.

If the bill presented this morning by Senator Robertson becomes a law in its present form, the existing Board of Immigration Commissioners for New-York will be very effectually swept out of office. The bill provides for a Board of Commissioners consisting of Hugh Gardiner, William Lambier, George Starr, Edmund Stephenson, J. Jantsen, Solomon T. Streeter, Conrad Geib, and Robert L. Case. They are to have all the powers of the present Board, and to hold office for five years. The President of the German Emigration Society and the President of the Irish Emigration Society are to be members of the Board *ex officio*. Vacancies in the board by death or resignation are to be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Commissioners. The successors of the Commissioners named in the bill are to be appointed by the Governor of the State. The act is to take effect immediately on its passage. A precisely similar bill was introduced in the House by Mr. Biglin.

The street-railroad men are already at work, getting their bills into the Senate. "Crosstown" Carey, an individual familiar to the lobbies of the Legislature for several years past, was in the lobby of the Senate this morning, looking after his bill for the construction of a street railroad starting from the foot of Twenty-third-street, East River, and crossing the City through Seventeenth-street, Broadway, and Fourteenth-street, to the Christopher-st. Ferry. The route is a long one, and the franchise worth a large sum to any company. Now that the principle of paying the City for these franchises is coming to be recognized, this Company (among the corporators of which appear the names of Justice Shandley, Robert W. Murray, and Thomas Kivlen) propose to submit yearly to the City Controller a statement of their net earnings, and of these net earnings pay the City five per cent. The net earnings of railroad companies in New-York have long been shown to be next to nothing at all. The existing companies, or some of them at least, are taxed on their net earnings, and the return made by them of taxable property under this provision of the law is notoriously fraudulent. Net earnings are the surplus moneys remaining after interest on the bonds of the road have been paid, and a company can issue bonds in lieu of dividends till it presents a very deplorable-looking balance-sheet to the Tax Commissioners, while its stock still remains considerably above par.

Another Railroad bill, introduced by Senator Benedict, empowers the Twenty-third-street Railroad Company to extend their tracks along First-avenue to the Thirty-fourth-street Ferry, and, at the west end of their present line, from Twenty-third-street to Forty-second-street, along Twelfth-avenue. This Company does not propose to pay the City anything for the franchise. They hint that the great convenience which the extension of their line will be to the public is sufficient compensation to the Municipality.

There was considerable discussion on a resolution of Senator Weismann's to instruct the Judiciary Committee to report immediately a bill for the exemption of bonds and mortgages from taxation. The majority of the Senators seemed to think that the Committee could very well be let alone, and that instructing them to report immediately was very like putting the screws on. One or two amendments to the resolution were proposed and sharply discussed, till the Senate appeared to get out of patience, and tabled the whole affair by a decisive vote.

Another street railroad bill was introduced in the Assembly by Mr. Fell, which organizes the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, with a capital $5,000,000, and authorizing the Company to lay tracks in nearly every street in the City in which there are now no tracks, and in many which are already provided. It grants the right to run through Twenty-third, Forty-second, and Fourteenth streets, from river to river, through Fifth-avenue below Twenty-third-street, through the whole length of South Fifth-avenue, through Madison-avenue, and through nearly all the west side streets. The bill is far more sweeping in its provisions than any railroad bill ever before introduced into the Legislature.

In the Senate, this morning, the vexed question of legislative postage received a final settlement, so far at least as concerned that body, by the adoption of the resolutions reported by Senator D. P. Wood, from the Finance Committee, of which he is Chairman. In presenting these resolutions he referred to the abuses which had for several years existed in connection with the charges for postage in each House. It appears that the word "postage" has hitherto been construed to mean salary of a post-office clerk, express charges, charges for transmitting the dirty linen, &c., of members, with many other things of like character. There was no check on the bills presented to the Clerks of the Houses for certification, and when the "Postage" bill came in to them, they could do nothing but sign it. The resolutions yesterday adopted order that all postage matter shall be stamped, and booked by the Clerks of the two Houses, and provides a system of checks which will doubtless be effectual in stopping the frauds which have hitherto characterized the legislative postal department. The first of the two resolutions adopted will require the concurrent action of the House to give it effect; the second applies only to the Senate.

The bill in relation to compensation of counsel for the defense in criminal cases, when such counsel were assigned by the Court, was favorably reported from the Judiciary Committee. It simply provides that at the close of the proceedings the Court shall designate what, in its judgment, shall appear a fair compensation for the services of the counsel assigned by it, and that the county shall pay the bill.

There is a very general feeling in favor of legislating the present Police Justices in New-York out of office, and a bill for that purpose will be speedily introduced. Its provisions have not yet been fully determined upon, but it is probable that it will make the terms of these Magistrates three years, their pay about half what it is at present, and require the Mayor and Aldermen to appoint them. The feeling against the Ring Magistrates is not confined to Republicans, but some of the Democrats are very earnestly in favor of ridding the City of them, and opinion is divided only as to the method of making the new appointments. Some are in favor of having the Magistrates chosen by the Judges of some of the other Courts, and others are inclined to give the appointments to the District-Attorney, in conjunction with some other official, but it is probable the Republicans will adhere to the general plan, and cause them to be appointed by the Mayor and Aldermen.

The bill reorganizing the Board of Education, introduced by Mr. Patterson, is to be pushed vigorously, and written arguments in its favor have been submitted to Mr. Husted. Chairman of the Committee on Education. In all its principal features the bill is identical with the law of 1842, as amended in 1853 and 1864. Under the law which it is proposed to enact the Board of Education will consist of twenty-one members appointed by the Mayor, and they are confined almost entirely to legislative duties; there are twenty-one Inspectors of Common Schools, who are to audit the bills of the Boards of Trustees; there are 105 trustees appointed by the Board of Education, being five to each Ward, who are to have the immediate control of the schools under such regulations as the Board of Education may prescribe. The urgent need for the new law is claimed to be shown by the fact that since the present management came into power the attendance at the schools has largely decreased in consequence of schools being conducted more for political than educational purposes. Mr. James W. Barr, Mr. James Davis, and others, are here urging the early consideration of the bill, and it is probable that the Committee on Education will soon reach a decision regarding it.

There is considerable interest being created in regard to the Rochester Commission acts passed last Winter, and all the members have been furnished with a copy of a pamphlet urging their speedy repeal. It appears from this statement that there is a strong feeling in Rochester on this subject, and it is certain that great efforts will be made to secure the early abrogation of the acts which were passed last Winter. The matter comes up on Tuesday, before the Committees on Cities, and very soon afterward the struggle will get into the Assembly. This Rochester affair, the New-York Charter, the bill repealing the Usury law, the bill legislating out Mr. Chapman, and the several bills in regard to matters in New-York which are not included in the charter, are the only things of general interest yet before the Legislature.

Senator Benedict introduced a bill providing that in every proceeding in which an order shall be entered, directing the payment of money to the County Treasurer, it shall be the duty of the plaintiff's attorney to file with the Clerk of the county a statement, giving the name of the action, date of the order, amount paid the Treasurer, the name of the person for whom it is held, &c.

Senator Benedict introduced a bill providing that County Treasurers shall annually make a full report to the Supreme Court of all funds in their hands under orders of Courts; title of action; date of order in each case; amount received; manner in which invested; amount of interest unpaid; and any other information the Court may desire in reference thereto. E. C.

Senatorial Caucus of Democrats—Judge Selden not to be Complimented.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 16.—This evening the Democrats held their Senatorial caucus in the Assembly Chamber, with Senator Tiemann, of New-York, presiding. There was considerable division of sentiment among members as to who they should support with their votes for United States Senator on Tuesday. Hon. Henry R. Selden and Charles Wheaton, of Dutchess County, were placed in nomination, and their claims were urged with some earnestness. The question of the propriety of Democrats voting for a Republican was considered, and was finally decided in the negative, as, when the vote was taken, Judge Selden had only eleven votes, while Judge Wheaton had twenty-five. The successful candidate is comparatively unknown, was formerly a County Judge, and it is understood that the empty compliment he has secured has been given for the aid he rendered Hon. John O. Whitehouse in buying his way into Congress from the Dutchess District.

The result of the caucus is considered as indicating that the Democratic Party cannot be depended on to do much better than when it was under the control of Tweed, as it is doing what it can to honor and strengthen men whose political methods the "Boss" would find congenial.

There was a large social gathering this evening at the residence of Hon. R. H. Pruyn, No. 158 State-street, where the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, the State officers, members of the Legislature, and a number of eminent citizens had been invited to meet the members of the Constitutional Commission. The affair was entirely social.

The Constitutional Commission.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 16.—At the session of the Constitutional Commission today, the following additional Committee was appointed, on the educational interests of the State: Messrs. Townsend, Robinson, Stillman, and Davis. The question whether the management of the Banking Department and Insurance Department should be prescribed by the Constitution or regulated by law was referred to the Committee on State Offices.

Mr. Opdyke proposed to strike out section 5, article 8, of the Constitution, forbidding the sanction by the Legislature of the suspension of specie payments, which, after debate, was referred to the appropriate Committee.

The Commission then adjourned.

WASHINGTON.

New-York Customs Officials Before the Committee on Ways and Means.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The Committee of Ways and Means met this morning and heard Messrs. James and Benedict, of the New-York Custom-house, and Customs officers from Philadelphia, Baltimore, and St. Louis. The object of the New-York officers is to obtain legal sanction and night permits to unload steamers, and to pay inspectors for this service. They all desire an increase of salary, and say it is indispensable for their proper maintenance.

REGISTRY RECORDS.

The Committee considered the bill heretofore introduced by Mr. Ellis H. Roberts, a member of the Committee, fixing a new scale of fees for registry records, manifests, clearances, &c., but came to no conclusion thereon.

COTTON TAX.

The committee, on next Tuesday, will consider the subject of refunding the cotton tax.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

MARINE HOSPITAL NEAR NEW-YORK.

The Secretary of the Treasury today sent to the House of Representatives the draft of a bill, which he recommends to be passed into a law, authorizing him to purchase a site for a marine hospital at a point convenient to the port of New-York, and erect thereon a pavilion hospital of 200-bed capacity, with all necessary structures, the cost of the site and buildings not to exceed $250,000.

IRON-CLAD CLAIMS.

The Committee on Claims of the House, at its session today, agreed to several bills allowing certain iron-clad contractors to institute suit against the Government for additional compensation for extra work on certain iron-clads constructed in 1862 and 1863. Six of these bills will be reported to the House under the call of the Committee to-morrow, viz.: Those in favor of N. McKay, of New-York; Donald McKay, of Boston; Larrabee & Allen, George W. Lawrence, and the Portland Company, of Maine, and S. Snowden & Son, of Pennsylvania.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

Meeting of the National Association in Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—The National Woman Suffrage Association commenced its session today, at Lincoln Hall. Miss Anthony presided. The audience was composed largely of ladies. The seats in the rear part of the stage were filled by prominent advocates of the cause. Among them were Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Matilda Joslyn Gage, Lillie Devereaux Blake, of New-York; Larina C. Dundore, of Baltimore; Ellen C. Sargent, Mrs. Henderson, and Mrs. Anna S. Avery, of Iowa; Miss C. J. Bailey, and Edwin M. Davis, Philadelphia; Mrs. Lockwood, of Washington, and many others who were here a year ago.

Miss Anthony, in her speech, said she stood here today by the kindness of the Marshal of the Auburn Prison to vindicate the rights of women.

Mrs. Cady Stanton made a long speech, dwelling on the rights and wrongs of the female sex, and alluding to what she considered the outrage perpetrated on Miss Anthony by imprisoning her, thus depriving the friends of women's rights of the services of a powerful advocate. Alluding to the great success of the Republican Party, she said that only by the aid of woman could that party continue its renown. She thought Gen. Grant looked with favor on the cause, and they felt great encouragement when such men as Senator Wilson espoused their cause.

A series of resolutions were presented by this lady, declaring among other things that so long as women were denied the right of suffrage they were politically, civilly, socially enslaved, and that it is the duty of Congress, by appropriate legislation, to protect women in the exercise of the right of suffrage under the Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. These resolutions will be discussed during the session of the Convention.

Letters were read from well-known female advocates of the cause. Mrs. Lilbe Devereaux Blake made a speech, in which she said that women were made to exercise political as well as other rights, and will insist on having them. After recess was taken, Dr. Mary Walker was conspicuous in distributing printed copies of the memorial presented today to the Senate by Senator Caldwell.

A TOWN ON FIRE.

The Village of Greenville, Penn., in Flames.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 16.—A dispatch from Greenville, Penn., at 1 o'clock this morning, says: "An extensive fire is now raging here. It commenced in the St. Charles Hotel, in the heart of the village, and several large buildings and mills are already destroyed. At midnight a general alarm was given and Meadville sent one of her fire companies by a special train. The fire is increasing. The loss cannot be estimated at this hour."

Second Dispatch.—"A later dispatch from Greenville says: About thirty buildings have been burned down and the flames are still raging. The origin of the fire is unknown, and it is impossible to get any details of the disaster."

Store-Breaking in Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—A daring attempt to rob the dry-goods store of William M. Shaster & Brother, on Pennsylvania-avenue, last night, was frustrated by the police, who, on being informed by a neighbor living next door to the Shasters that something unusual was going on in the store, succeeded in arresting three men on the premises, who gave their names as Henry Miller, James Adams, and Patrick Smith. The thieves had collected a lot of valuable laces and silks, and had put them in convenient packages for carrying off. The police found in the basement of the house a number of burglars' tools and a dark lantern, and it was evident the men were well prepared to perform a heavy piece of work.

State Fair Buildings at Albany.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 16.—At a meeting today of the joint Citizens' Committee, appointed to forward a movement for the erection of a State Fair building in this vicinity, the following Executive Committee was appointed: Albany, Thomas W. Olcott, Maurice E. Viele, and Col. Walter S. Church; Troy, James B. Fonda and Wm. Kemp; Cohoes, Hon. Charles H. Adams; West Troy, Dr. R. H. Sabin. This Committee will proceed at once to solicit subscriptions and secure co-operation from northern cities.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Alleged Cruelty by Carlists—Excitement Among Spaniards in Paris Over the Cuban Correspondence.

MADRID, Jan. 16.—Reports from the North represent that the Carlist insurgents are acting with horrible cruelty toward the inhabitants who refuse to join their ranks. Many cases of murder and mutilation are reported, and hundreds of young men have been forced into the service of the insurgents.

PARIS, Jan. 16.—There is much excitement in the Spanish colony in this city over the note of Secretary Fish to Minister Sickles in relation to slavery in the Island of Cuba.

Monarchical Coalition in the French Assembly—Courtesy to United States Officers.

PARIS, Jan. 16.—It is rumored in the lobbies of the Assembly that a coalition has been effected between the Legitimists and the supporters of the house of Orleans.

MARSEILLES, Jan. 16.—The Admiral of the French Squadron at Villa Franca, gave a ball last night on board his flag-ship. The officers of the American and British men-of-war in the harbor were invited, but declined to attend.

Dr. Livingstone Sets Out for the Interior of Africa.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—Advices from Zanzibar to the 20th of November state that letters have been received there from Unyanyembe announcing that the expedition with supplies for Dr. Livingstone, which was sent forward by Mr. Stanley, had reached the great traveler, who again started for the interior of Africa on the 18th of August.

Sixty Thousand Persons at Chiselhurst Yesterday—The Prince Imperial.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—A careful estimate of the number of persons at Chiselhurst yesterday fixed it at 60,000. Many stores in London and throughout the country were partly closed while the funeral procession was moving.

While the Prince Imperial was returning from the chapel to the family mansion, he was saluted with the cry of "Vive l'Empereur!" In reply to the salutation, he exclaimed, "The Emperor is dead. Vive la France!"

Suppression of Theological Teaching in Italian Public Schools.

ROME, Jan. 16.—The Senate has approved the bill forbidding theological inst

FORTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

THIRD SESSION.

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A bill was introduced authorizing the Secretary of War to contract for the building of several light-draft snag-boats for the Mississippi, Missouri, and Arkansas Rivers.

TERRITORIAL LEGISLATURES.

Mr. Nye, of Nevada, reported, from the Committee on Territories, the House bill fixing the salaries of Territorial officers and the length of sessions of Legislatures; and a bill transferring the care of penitentiaries in the Territories to the Territorial authorities, both of which were passed.

TRANSPORTING GOODS IN BOND.

Mr. Chandler, of Michigan, from the Committee on Commerce, reported an original bill to further regulate the transportation of merchandise in bond, allowing the substitution of an authenticated certificate of the receipt of goods at the foreign port for the oath of the master or mate of the exporting vessel, as one of the proofs now required to discharge the export bond.

THE VIENNA EXPOSITION.

Mr. Schurz, of Missouri, from the Committee of Foreign Relations, reported the House bill to enable the people of the United States to participate in the Vienna Exposition, with an amendment increasing the appropriation from $100,000 to $200,000.

Mr. Sandbury, of Delaware, after some debate, moved to make the amount $150,000, instead of $200,000. Lost.

The amendment of the Committee making the amount $5,0,000 was then adopted.

Mr. Carpenter, of Wisconsin, said he had voted to increase the amount to $200,000, because, if an appropriation was to be made at all, that was enough; but he knew as the Washington Monument stood in its present unfinished and dilapidated condition, a shame and reproach to every American in the eyes of every foreigner visiting our land, he would never vote $200,000 or any sum to be sunk in a show to Europe. He then offered an amendment appropriating $300,000 for the completion of the Washington Monument.

At the expiration of the morning hour the bill went over.

SPECIE PAYMENTS.

Mr. Sherman called up Mr. Beckingham's bill providing for a return to specie payments, and addressed the Senate upon it. He showed, by reference to the history of our existing currency, that the public faith was pledged to redeem specie payment, and argued that it was for the interest of almost every person in the country, the question of policy, he said: I have presented the argument of public faith in the foreground, for it must first be considered; but specie payment is not only required by the public faith, but it is now demanded by public policy, or, to use a narrower phrase, it is wise political economy. Experience has taught every nation suffering depreciated currency loses in exchange with a nation having a better currency. If we buy abroad, specie is the standard of value, and the cost of the article, too, is at once increased by an addition of the depreciation of money and a percentage for exchange and risk. What we sell abroad is also measured by the specie standard, and the same loss by exchange, whether we buy or sell, is paid by us. Every loss is increased when applied to contracts to be paid in the future, and especially to contract and other bonds payable after a period of years. These bonds must be paid in gold, whether it be so stipulated or not in the bond, and for them gold is usually in currency. We pay in gold and receive in currency, and this at the outset subtracts us to a loss of the entire depreciation of our currency. The interest paid on the thousands of our bonds would in many cases, if applied as a sinking fund, pay off the whole of the principal bonds in existence. That a depreciation in the currency always injuriously affects a community in which it exists was shown by the experience of the colonies before the War of Independence. In each of them some form of depreciated money was used. The value of the pound sterling, whether in specie or paper, was only from one-half to per cent. of the value of the standard coin of Great Britain, and the depreciation often measured the poverty or necessity of the colony using it. With the currency in existence one before the late war, and which depended upon the value of the notes of the banks of the several States were, as a rule, depreciated, and these States suffered the loss: while in the States in which a banking system prevailed, the notes were maintained at the specie standard; and great profits and accumulations were made from the practical necessity of the banking business. The great benefit to our people from a sound currency, their loss by the use of depreciated money. It is stated, and justly, as the necessaries of life, it is now found to be convenient to carry and to of uniform value. Throughout the United States the public mind is educated to this point. With these illustrations, and many others, the reasons are obvious and satisfactory; but all of them can be better secured with a currency that will purchase as much food or clothing at one part of the country as at another, will command as much labor in the south as in the north, as well as our own, and is not subject to the fluctuations and speculative changes of our present currency.

The bill, it was argued, is to give to a depreciated money the quality of flexibility. A return of specie payments necessarily suspends all redemptions of paper money. The United States notes are irredeemable, and national bank notes are irredeemable; all of them being once paid out, there is no object to return them, and therefore only the United States get the benefit of a depreciated currency. The national banks can only avoid at the burden of redemption, but the banks also get the benefit of a forced loan from the people without interest, and without the burden of redemption. The bill proposes, in order to add $40,000,000 more of United States notes to secure the redemption of their notes; but, practically, we know these notes are furnished for redemption. It is on the principle that the banks are willing to pay interest on the burden of maintaining a reserve. We are told that we require them to keep idle in their vaults currency merely needed by the community, and that the banks are required to keep idle in their vaults currency merely needed by the community, and that bank-notes were directly to be redeemed with coin. Still the Bank act provided for the common convenience of both kinds of notes, and experience shows that both United States notes and bank-notes should be equal to gold and to each other. This is the reason for the provisions for redemption and for a large reserve. The Banking act also anticipated that the United States might withdraw its notes, and then

MR. BOUTWELL'S LOAN.

The Senior Member of the Firm of Morton, Bliss & Co. Before the Ways and Means.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—The following is the statment of Mr. Morton, senior member of the firm of Morton, Bliss & Co., bankers, of New-York, before the Ways and Means Committee of the House in regard to Mr. Boutwell's loan:

Mr. Morton remarked that the Secretary of the Treasury had expressed a desire that he (Mr. Morton) should say something to the Committee in regard to the loan.

The Chairman—We presume that you understand the plan under which the $165,000,000 are intended. Do you know of any better way of effecting the loan of the balance of the five per cents. under existing law?

Mr. Morton—I do not know of any other method of negotiating a Government loan, except by bankers.

The Chairman—Can you suggest any change in this method?

Mr. Morton—I do not know that I can.

The Chairman—Do you know of any alteration in the law that would be desirable for the purpose of effecting the balance of the loan?

Mr. Morton—I do not.

The Chairman—Do you think it advisable, all things considered, to proceed with the loan to the extent of the balance of the $500,000,000?

Mr. Morton—I do not know of any better method that can be adopted at present, unless Congress would choose to change the rate of commission.

Mr. Kelley—You mean by changing it, increasing it?

Mr. Morton—Yes; under the last negotiation the interest accruing on the five per cent. bonds, until the maturity of the call of the five-twenties, accrued to the benefit of the syndicate of the parties negotiating the bonds as interest commission.

The Chairman—Instead of that what would you suggest?

Mr. Morton—I do not think I would suggest anything instead of it.

Mr. Burchard—How can the negotiation be made without paying as high a commission, direct or indirect?

Mr. Morton—I do not know how it can be.

Mr. Burchard—Suppose the direct commission is increased to one and three-quarters per cent., being equal to one-half per cent. in addition to one and one-quarter per cent. for three months interest on the five per cent. bonds.

Mr. Morton—That would not reduce the cost of the negotiation to the Government.

Mr. Burchard—But could not the same machinery be used as at present, with the payment of the additional commission?

Mr. Morton—Precisely. Some gentlemen have argued that the Government should wait for buyers to come to the Treasury Department for the conversion of their bonds. In my opinion the Government would have to wait for a long time before it would make any conversion of six per cent. bonds into five per cent. bonds.

Mr. Maynard—The money markets of the world do not justify such an expectation?

Mr. Morton—It is not the custom. It would be like a Lowell manufacturer waiting for consumers to come to him. Machinery must be used in the negotiation of national securities as well as of other business.

Mr. Maynard—When this proposition to place the balance of the loan by a syndicate was made, what was the general feeling on the part of the banking community as to the feasibility and the ultimate success of the undertaking?

Mr. Morton—It was supposed to be very doubtful.

The Chairman—Were you a member of that syndicate?

Mr. Morton—I was not.

The Chairman—Do you propose to be a member of the new syndicate?

Mr. Morton—I dare say.

Mr. Maynard—If you had thought that the last syndicate scheme was one that promised success, and if you had been offered to have been committed into it would you have accepted the offer?

Mr. Morton—The offer was made to us, but we declined it for certain reasons. We had very much doubt as to the success of the negotiation in the hands of a new house in Europe, and there has been no time since that loan was made, up to the present moment, when the parties who bought the bonds could get their money back.

Mr. Kerr—You propose now to become a party to the next syndicate?

Mr. Morton—We do.

Mr. Kerr—State on what general principles, outside of this mere machinery that you have been talking about, you think it is advantageous to the country to put the loan into the markets of the world in that way—through an agency.

Mr. Morton—I do not think there is any other way for any Government to make a successful negotiation unless it pays a high price for money. During our war, when our bonds were selling in Europe as low as forty cents on the dollar, there was no necessity for such an agency. So too the French Government, during the Empire, made a popular loan. But with very rare exceptions all national loans were made through bankers in London, or bankers who have connections with the principal money centres in Europe. Too little funds generally could be raised money under its last loan without the aid of powerful houses like the Barings, Rothschilds and others—there are so many manipulations of the market when a Government is not familiar with. For instance, take the present action of the United States; you cannot of course sell your bonds at ninety-six. Loan does when the market for the existing bonds is only ninety. They must be manipulated.

Mr. Kerr—That is part of the trade?

Mr. Morton—That is part of the trade.

Mr. Beck—State whether or not, in the present condition of the money market, men have lost money on the last purchase of United States bonds?

Mr. Morton—Yes, I have said that there has been no time since the negotiation was made, up to the present moment, when the parties who purchased the bonds could have resold them without loss. I think that the success of a new negotiation would depend altogether upon the character of the parties who undertook it, their strength and influence.

Mr. Beck—What interest would parties have in forming the new negotiation, if they lost money on what they have already done? Will not that loss place the Government in a disadvantageous position in regard to putting the loan on the market?

Mr. Morton—That would depend altogether upon who undertook it. The money that the Government seeks to reach is cheap money—trust funds, and the like, that seek a safe investment.

Mr. Kelley—As I understand it, it is like the advice given by Shakespeare in the play of "The Merchant of Venice," when he makes Shylock say: "I have often, when I lost an arrow, returned it by shooting another the self-same way."

Mr. Burchard—But these are different parties.

Mr. Kelley—I know they are, but the principle seems to be the same.

Mr. Maynard (to Mr. Morton)—You are the head of the house of Morton, Bliss & Co., I presume?

Mr. Morton—Yes.

Mr. Maynard—I would like to know whether these new five per cents are coming back to New-York in the ordinary course of financial operations.

Mr. Morton—At certain periods during the last year they have come back, but not to a large extent.

Mr. Maynard—Have they come back to the extent that they have been really needed for the establishment of new national banks?

Mr. Morton—It is difficult to answer the question; they come back in scattered parcels, but not to any great extent; in fact, there has been no active demand for them here; our people here, except for banking purposes, are not satisfied to put 110 or 112 for five per cents. bonds; to my mind the success of a negotiation depends upon how influential and powerful a syndicate can be made; a combination with three or four of the most influential houses in Europe would make almost anything a success; they have such a following and prestige that people will take anything they offer, as they feel they certainly can sell at profit that which with other houses would attract very little attention.

Mr. Burchard—Do you think that the negotiations can be made successful under the present law, which allows one-half per cent. commission and three months' interest on the five per cents, amounting to one and one-quarter per cent. more, as it would be if there was a direct commission of one and three-quarters per cent. allowed?

Mr. Morton—I do not know that anything would be gained by making it a direct commission instead of the old arrangement.

Mr. Burchard—You think that the old arrangement would be as satisfactory to the community as if a direct commission of one and three-quarters per cent. were allowed?

Mr. Morton—I think so; the only objection to it is that it is necessary to work through the national banks, while in the other way it could be done directly with the Treasury Department.

Mr. Burchard—Do you think that the negotiation can be made on the plan of allowing one and three-quarters per cent. to the public generally.

Mr. Morton—No; I do not think it could be done. The bankers have a great many people to divide with, and no Government can negotiate a loan on so small a commission as that.

Mr. Burchard—Then, in your opinion, the offering of a commission of one and three quarters per cent. to the public would not affect the negotiation of the loan or the conversion of six per cents into five?

Mr. Morton—I do not think it would. I do not think you can place five per cents in this country, except as a basis for banking.

Mr. Burchard—The advantage of the syndicate arrangement was that it gave this one and a quarter per cent. indirect commission to those who went into it?

Mr. Morton—Yes.

Mr. Burchard—And did not offer it to the public generally?

Mr. Morton—Exactly.

Mr. Burchard—And you think that through that means the loan can be effected, while it cannot be otherwise?

Mr. Morton—Yes; I think there is no doubt of that. The late French five per cent. loan was negotiated at a little over 80. The Russian five per cents are now a little over 90 in the London market, while ours are selling at par, (91 being equivalent to par,) so that our bonds are selling at a higher price than the bonds of any European Government except the English consols. I do not know that there would be any advantage in changing the existing terms into a direct commission, the precedent having been already made.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—JAN. 16.

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—10 A. M.

100	Pacific Mail	71¾	100	Erie Railroad	40¾
100	do	b3. 71¾	300	do	40¾
1000	do	71¾	100	do	s5. 40¾
1000	do	71	100	do	b3. 41¾
100	do	b3. 71	200	do	40¾
400	do	70¾	200	do	41¾
100	do	s5. 70¾	700	do	c. 40¾
100	do	70¾	100	do	41
400	Western Union	82¾	100	do	40¾
300	do	82¾	101	do	40¾
300	do	c. 82¾	200	do	40¾
400	do	82¾	500	do	40¾
200	do	83	200	do	40¾
200	do	b3. 82¾	100	N. Y. C. & Hud	101¾
700	do	82¾	100	do	101¾
300	do	82¾	300	do	102¾
300	do	82¾	300	do	102
100	do	c. 82¾	300	do	s3. 102
100	do	b3. 82¾	100	Bos., H. & Erie. c.	8¾
100	Mariposa L. & M.	21¾	100	Ohio & Miss.	46¾
600	U. Pacific	35¾	100	do	46¾
300	do	c. 35¾	800	do	46¾
200	do	35¾	100	do	b10. 46¾
900	do	35¾	100	C., C. & I. C.	s3. 38¾
100	Rock Island	111			

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—10¾ A. M.

$2,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '62	113¾	
15,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '65	115	
1,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '65. new	c.113¾	

FIRST BOARD—10¾ A. M.

$1,000	Va 6s, Cons	56	100	Pac. M. S. S. Co.	b3. 71
10,000	S. Car. 6s, new		100	do	70¾
	Jones & July	22	500	do	bct. cal. 70¾
18,000	Mo. 6s	93	400	do	b3. 71
1,000	Alabama 8s	88	800	do	70¾
1,000	Mich. 6s, '78	98	100	do	b4. 70¾
1,000	N. Y. Com. 6s, '83	103	1100	do	70¾
1,000	Erie 1st	101¾	100	do	70¾
1,000	Erie 2d	99½	100	do	70¾
1,000	Erie 4th	96	1400	N. Y. C. & H.	b. 102
10,000	Del. & Hud. 1st	102	200	do	bct. 102
5,000	C. & T. S. F. bds.	100¾	100	do	102
5,000	C., P. & A. old	97¾	500	do	102
4,000	Ohio & Miss. 2d	33	100	do	102
5,000	do	100¾	100	do	101¾
5,000	C., P. & A. old	97¾	500	do	102
4,000	Ohio & Miss. 2d	33	100	do	s3. 102
10,000	Cen. P. S. A. bds.	110¾	100	do	101¾
1,000	Union Pac. 1st	86¾	100	do	101¾
2,000	do	86½	20	do	101¾
3,000	U. Pac. 1st.	78	200	do	101¾
6,000	C. & N. W.	92	200	N. J. Central R.	101
1,000	Chi. & N. W. 1st.	100	900	C., C. & I. C.	b. 38¾
500	do	small. 85	100	do	c. 38¾
3,000	St. West. 2d	87¾	100	do	38¾
2,000	C. & R. I. & P. 7s.	101	300	do	s3. 38¾
2,000	Morris & E. 2d	98¾	100	do	38¾
5,000	N. W. & S. P. 1st.	90¾	100	Erie Railroad	40¾
10,000	O. & M. C. S. F.	93	300	do	bct. cal. 40¾
3,000	Ohio & Miss. 2d	35	300	do	40¾
2,000	N. J. C. 1st. new	103½	100	do	40¾
10,000	Mil. & St. P. 1st.	93	500	do	s3. 40¾
3,000	M. & St. P. I. D	87	5	do	40¾
3,000	C., C. & I. C. 1st.	89½	1100	do	40¾
1,000	Tol., P. & W. 1st.	90	2100	do	40¾
5,000	Wis. W. & C. 1st.	90¾	600	do	40¾
10,000	Bost., H. & E. 1st.	42	1500	do	40¾
10,000	do	41¾	800	do	40¾
2,000	North Mo. 1st	80¾	1000	do	40¾
10,000	Fulton Bank	100	1000	do	b5. 40¾
10	Cent. Nat. Bank	91	600	do	40¾
3	Fourth Nat. Bk.	110	100	Mich. Cen. R.	93
300	At. M. S. S. Co.	c. 13	10	L. S. & M. S. R.	92¾
100	Mar. & Cin. R.	30¾	100	do	bct. cal. 92¾
100	do	bct. cal. 23	200	do	92¾
100	do	24	100	do	92¾
100	do	b30. 24¼	200	do	b3. 92¾
100	Mar. & Ft. W. & C.	80	100	do	92¾
100	do	b. c. s60. 31¾	400	do	s3. 92¾
200	do	30	100	do	92¾
200	New Cen. C.	b. c. 47¾	100	do	b4. 92¾
1000	A. & St. L. R.	20¾	100	do	s3. 92¾
100	U. S. Ex.	b. c. s3. 79¾	100	do	c. 92¾
100	do	79¾	200	Mil. & St. P. Pf.	77½
200	B., H. & E.	b. c. c. 8¾	300	do	bct. cal. 77½
100	do	8¾	200	Union Pac.	86¾
100	West. U. Tel.	b. c. 82¾	300	do	b. c. b3. 86¾
300	do	82¾	500	do	86¾
300	do	83¾	200	do	c. 86¾
100	do	83¾	100	do	86¾
100	do	83¾	600	do	86¾
100	do	83¾	600	do	86¾
100	do	c. 83¾	400	do	86¾
500	do	83¾	500	do	c. 86¾
100	do	83¾	400	do	s3. 86¾
100	do	c. 83¾	400	do	86¾
100	do	b3. 83¾	600	St. Morris & Essex	90
500	do	83¾	64	do	b. c. 90
500	do	s3. 83¾	100	do	bct. cal. 89¾
1500	do	83¾	100	Ohio & Miss. R.	46¾
100	do	83¾	100	do	bct. 46¾
100	do	83	600	do	b3. 46¾
100	do	82¾	200	do	46¾
300	Harlem Railroad	116	800	do	46¾
100	Chi. & R. I. & P.	93¾	200	do	b3. 46¾
100	do	bct. cal. 110¾	300	do	s3. 46¾
100	do	110¾	1000	do	46¾
25	N. Y. N. H. & H.	141	100	do	s60. 46¾
240	Clev. & Pitts. G.	90			

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—12¼ AND 2¼ P. M.

$10,000	U. S. 5s. R., '81		
	new	110¾	
19,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '62	114¾	
10,000	do	114	
$2,000	U. S. 5-20 R., '65	115	
2,000	U. S. 5s Cur	114	
45,000	do	114½	

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—12½ P. M.

500	Western Union	83¼	100	Lake Shore	b3. 92¾
1000	do	83	500	do	92¾
100	do	b3. 83	300	do	s3. 92¾
200	do	82¾	400	Un. Pacific	s3. 35¾
200	do	s3. 82½	100	do	b3. 36¼
400	do	82¾	100	do	36¾
500	New Cen. Coal	47¾	300	B., H. & Erie	8¾
400	Pacific Mail	70¾	100	Tol. & Wab	73¾
700	do	s3. 70¾	200	do	73¾
100	N. Y. C. & Hud	101¾	200	do	73¾
1500	do	102	200	do	73¾
500	do	c. 101¾	200	Ohio & Miss	46¾
700	do	101¾	200	do	b3. 46¾
200	Erie Railroad	40	200	do	46¾
325	do	40	500	do	46¾
100	do	s3. 40	100	do	b3. 46¾
100	Rock Island	110¾	700	do	46¾
300	do	110¾			

SECOND BOARD—1 P. M.

$2,000	N. Y. Cen. 6s, '83	93	50	L. S. & M. S. b. c. s3.	92¾
2,000	C. Pac. G. bds	99¾	400	do	92¾
1,000	do	99¾	100	do	b3. 92¾
3,000	Un. Pac. R. 1st.	86¾	200	Chi. & R. I.	110¾
8,000	do	86¾	100	do	110¾
7,000	do	86¾	100	do	b. c. s3. 110¾
14,000	Un. Pac. 10s, Inc.	77	100	N. J. Cen.	101¾
20,000	Bos., H. & E. 1st.	41¾	100	do	101¾
25,000	do	41	100	U. S. Ex.	b. c. 79¾
3,000	St. L. & M. 1st.	93	200	Erie R.	b. c. s3. 59¾
1,000	do	98¾	400	do	60
10	Metropolitan Bk.	133	300	do	60¾
400	New Cen. Coal. b. c	47	200	do	60¾
10	West. Un. Tel.	82¾	200	do	60¾
100	do	bct. cal. 82¾	200	do	60¾
100	do	b5. 82¾	100	do	60¾
200	do	b10. 82¾	100	do	60¾
100	do	s3. 82¾	100	do	b3. 61
200	do	83¼	200	do	60¾
100	do	83¼	100	do	60¾
1200	do	83¼	100	C., C. & I. C. b. c.	b3 38¾
100	Mar. Prof.	2¼	1000	do	38¾
100	Mar. & M.	b. c. 22¾	200	Un. Pacific	b. c. 36¾
2000	Pacific Mail.	b. c. 70¾	500	do	36¾
900	do	70¾	700	do	36¾
1800	do	70¾	100	do	36¾
1000	do	70¾	100	do	s3. 36¾
400	do	70	100	do	36¾
100	do	70¾	400	do	35¾
300	do	b60. 70¾	1700	do	36¾
100	do	b30. 37	100	do	36¾
300	do	70¾	100	do	b3. 36¾
500	do	70¾	100	P., Ft. W. & C. G.	92½
200	do	70¾	25	do	92½
600	do	70¾	10	do	92½
100	do	70¾	501	Morris & Essex	90
100	do	70¾	100	Bos., H. & E.	b. c. 8¾
100	do	b. c. 70¾	200	do	c. 8¾
300	N. Y. C. & H.	b. c. 101¾	100	do	8¾
700	do	102	100	Mo., Kan. & Tex.	40
100	do	s3. 102	1400	Ohio & Miss.	b. c. 46¾
100	do	101¾	200	do	s3. 46¾
50	do	101¾	200	do	46¾
100	Del., L. & W.	b3. 96	100	do	46¾
225	do	96	200	St. L. & Iron M.	90
20	do	94¾			

SALES FROM 2½ TO 4 P. M.

$65,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '65. new	114	200	N. Y. C. & Hud	102¾
25,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '67	115¾	100	do	s3. 102¾
25,000	do	115¾	100	do	102¾
25,000	U. S. Cur. 6s	114	200	do	b3. 102¾
100	New Cen. Coal	47¾	1100	do	102¾
100	do	s3. 47¾	100	do	102¾
200	do	47¾	900	Erie Railroad	40¾
400	Rock Island	110¾	100	do	40¾
100	do	110¾	400	do	s3. 40¾
100	West. Union	b3. 83¼	200	do	40¾
500	do	83¼	600	do	40¾
500	do	83¼	1400	do	40¾
580	do	83¼	900	Union Pacific	36¾
1000	do	83¼	300	do	b3. 37
100	do	b3. 83¼	600	do	36¾
100	do	83¼	100	do	36¾
2300	do	83¼	100	do	s3. 36¾
500	do	83¼	700	do	36¾
200	do	b3. 83¼	100	do	b3. 37
100	do	b3. 83¼	100	do	b3. 36¾
200	do	83¼	100	do	36¾
100	do	83¼	300	do	s3. 36¾
200	do	b3. 83¼	100	do	36¾
100	do	83¼	100	do	b3. 36¾
100	do	b3. 83¼	300	do	36¾
200	Pacific Mail	70¾	100	Lake Shore	b3. 92¾
100	do	70¾	200	do	92¾
100	do	70¾	400	do	92¾
1000	do	70¾	100	do	92¾
1900	do	70¾	100	St. Paul	52¾
2400	do	70¾	200	Tol. & Wab	73
100	do	b3. 70¾	1200	Bost. H. & E.	8¾
200	do	b30. 70¾	100	do	b3. 8¾
900	do	70¾	200	do	8¾
3400	do	70¾	200	Ohio & Miss.	46¾
1800	do	s3. 70	400	do	b3. 46¾
200	do	b3. 70¾	200	do	s3. 46¾
300	do	70¾	100	do	46¾
4700	do	70	700	do	46¾
1350	do	70	500	do	46¾
100	North-western Pf.	86	900	do	46¾

THURSDAY, JAN. 16—P. M.

Money has been in better supply for Street use, and the prevailing rates on call have been 6@7 ₱ cent., generally 7 ₱ cent. to the Stock Exchange firms, whose wants have been met with comparative promptness at the current figure. The Cable advices reported no change in the Bank of England rates, while noting an increase in the Specie reserve of the institution. Consols and United States Securities were quoted firmer in the London Market, with a slight depression in Erie Shares there. The local discount business has been somewhat freer, with a more satisfactory inquiry reported for the best grades of Commercial paper, which were rated at from 8@12 ₱ cent per annum. The City Bank currency exchanges at the Clearing-house were $117,635,759, and the resulting currency balances, $3,612,562.

Gold was quoted stronger, on a fairly active speculative movement, which was said to have derived some strength from the reports of the San Domingo negotiations. The range of the price was from 112¾@112¾, closing firmly at 112¾@112¾. The Customs drain was over half a million. The Gold Exchange Bank clearances were $42,977,000. Government disbursed $366,000 in coin, on interest account, through the local office. Only the sum of $7,600 was paid out in redemption of retired Five-twenties. There were bids received at the Sub-Treasury to the amount of $4,915,500 for the advertised million of Government Gold. The million was awarded to the Messrs. C. Unger & Co. at 112.82½. In the Foreign Exchanges, rather more buoyancy was noted, with a moderate amount of actual dealings, on the basis of $109¾@109¾ for prime Sixty Day Sterling Bills, and 110¾@110¾ for Sight Drafts on London, though some banking firms were asking ¼ above these figures.

UNITED STATES TREASURY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 16, 1873.

Gold receipts	$884,426 35
Gold payments	215,487 33
Gold balance	36,827,553 80
Currency receipts	206,312 30
Currency payments	463,043 97
Currency balance	19,642,773 38
Customs	524,000 00

The Public Funds were quoted stronger, and a livelier investment call was noted for the favorite gold-bearing issues, the offerings of which were on a restricted scale. For the older Railway Mortgage Loans, there was also some increase of demand from investment sources, of a generally steady basis as to values. Central Pacific Sixes were selling to a fair extent at the current prices of 99¾@99¾; and the First Mortgages of the Union Pacific were in request at 86¾@86¾. State Bonds were comparatively tame. On the Railway and Miscellaneous Share line there was not much show of animation, and the brokers complained of the dullness. There were some fluctuations on the more prominent of the speculative favorites, but the changes were not important in any instance. Bank Stocks were very lightly dealt in. The general market closed quite irregularly, with Pacific Mail quoted weak. At the close of business the following quotations were made, as compared with Wednesday night:

Closing Quotations—JAN. 16.

	Wednesday.	Thursday.
United States New 5s	112½	113
U. S. 5-20s, May and November	115¼	115¼
U. S. 5-20s, January and July	115¼	115¼
American Gold	112½	112¾
Bills on London, 60 days	109¾	109¾
N. Y. Central and Hudson	101½	102¼
Chicago and Rock Island	110¾	110¾
North-west Common	81	81
Pacific Mail	71	70
St. Paul Preferred	77	77½
St. Paul Common	52¾	52¾
Ohio and Mississippi	43½	46¾
Western Union Telegraph	82¾	83¼
Erie	40¾	40¾
Union Pacific	35¾	36¾
Lake Shore	92¼	92¼
C., C. and Indiana Central	38¾	38¾
Toledo and Wabash	73¼	73
North-west Preferred	88¼	88
Hannibal and St. Joseph	47	47

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States:

6 ₱ cent. reg., '81	115¾	5-20 coup., n. l., '65	113¾
6 ₱ cent. coup., '81	116	5-20 reg., '67	114¾
5-20 reg., '62	113¾	5-20 coup., '67	115¾
5-20 coup., '62	114	5-20 coup., '68	115
5-20 reg., '64	113¾	10-40 reg	107¾
5-20 coup., '64	114¾	10-40 coup	111
5-20 reg., '65	115	6s coup., '81	113¾
5-20 coup., '65	115¾	6s Currency	114
5-20 reg., n. l., '65	113¾		

And the following for the State Securities:

Tennessee 6s, old	79	Texas 10s, '76	73
Tennessee 6s, new	79	Ohio 6s, '81	101
Va. 6s, Consol. Bonds	55¾	Ohio 6s, '86	102
Va. 6s, Def. Bonds	15	Illinois Coupon 6s, '77	95
North Carolina 6s old	33½	Illinois Coupon 6s, '79	95
North Carolina 6s, new	33½	Michigan 6s, '78	95
North Carolina 6s n.	15	Michigan 6s, '83	96
S. Car. 6s, Jan. & July	22	N. Y. Reg. 5s, Coup.	104½
S. Car. 6s, April & Oct.	24½	N. Y. 6s C. L., '76	106
Missouri 6s	93	N. Y. 6s C. L., '77	106
Mo. 6s, H. & St. Jo. Iss.	90	N. Y. 6s C. L., '78	106
Mo. Asylum Bonds	91½	N. Y. 6s C. L., '79	106
Louisiana 6s	50	N. Y. 6s C. L., '77	106
Louisiana 6s, new	50	N. Y. 6s C. L., '80	106
Connecticut 6s	100	N. Y. 5s C. L., '77	103
Rhode Island 6s	100		

PHILADELPHIA STOCKS—JAN. 16.

Telegraphed to Messrs. E. D. Randolph & Co.

	Bid.	Asked.
City 6s, old	96	...
City 6s, new	100½	100¾
Camden and Amboy	122½	123¾
Pennsylvania Central	57	57¾
Reading	114	114¾
Lehigh Valley	60	60¾
Catawissa Preferred	44¾	44½
Philadelphia and Erie	27¾	28
Northern Central	36	...
Lehigh Navigation	38½	38¾
Lehigh Gold Loan	92	...

The Westchester Fire Insurance Company of New-Rochelle have declared a Semi-Annual Dividend of *Five ₱ cent.*, payable on and after Feb. 1, at their New-York office, No. 1 Cortlandt-street.

We have been requested to call attention to the advertisement of Messrs. Wood & Davis, relative to Morris and Essex loan.

The publishers of the *Commercial & Financial Chronicle* have issued the initial number of their promised new monthly, entitled the *Railway Monitor*, in form and typography closely resembling the *Chronicle* itself, but in the make up of its textual matter wholly devoted to railway interests. The first monthly issue makes a very creditable appearance.

BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

BANKING OFFICE OF FISK & HATCH, NEW-YORK, Jan. 16, 1873.

☞ The CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO, the CENTRAL, AND WESTERN PACIFIC BONDS, all of which have been negotiated by us, we believe to be among the best and most desirable investment securities in the market, which in time must become very scarce; especially as the Government will probably, during the year, pay off, in gold, another large lot of FIVE-TWENTIES, and issue in their place FIVE PER CENT. BONDS.

The CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO SIX PER CENT. GOLD BONDS, the total amount of which is only $15,000,000, are secured upon a property worth $35,000,000 to $40,000,000, and are fully equal in intrinsic value to the CENTRAL PACIFIC BONDS. They are issued in denominations of $100, $500, and $1,000, coupon or registered, and at their present market price, 86 and accrued interest, are very desirable.

The CENTRAL PACIFIC SIX PER CENT. GOLD BONDS are too well known to require description or commendation. Their total amount is $25,885,000 they have for a long time ranged in market price near or above par.

The WESTERN PACIFIC SIX PER CENT. GOLD BONDS amount to $2,735,000. This road is now consolidated with the CENTRAL PACIFIC, and the payment of its bonds, principal and interest, is assumed by the latter. Coupon Bonds, $1,000 each. Their market price today is 90 to 90¼. As they have recently been introduced on the Stock Exchange, we expect to see them rapidly rise to the price of CENTRAL PACIFICS, being substantially the same in character and value.

We buy and sell, as usual, Government Bonds, receive deposits, on which we allow interest, make collections, and conduct a general banking business in all its branches.

FISK & HATCH.

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HENRY CLEWS & CO., No. 32 Wall-st.

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☞ THE COUPONS on the FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS of the THE CENTRAL RAILROAD OF IOWA due Jan. 15, will be paid on presentation at the banking-house of W. B. Shattuck & Co., No. 23 Nassau-st. C. C. GILMAN, President.

☞ THE SEMI-ANNUAL INTEREST due Jan. 1, 1873, on the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Railroad Company's First Mortgage Bonds will be paid on or after that date at the office of BROWN BROTHERS & CO.

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

NEW-YORK, Thursday, Jan. 16, 1873.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been as follows:

Ashes, pks	4	Leather, sides	6,248
Bacon, bales	1,315	Oil-cake, pks	671
Dried Fruit, pks	9	Pork, pks	1,829
Eggs, bbls	256	Beef, pks	152
Flour, bbls	5,320	Cut-meats, pks	3,280
Wheat, bushels	1,060	Grease, pks	97
Corn, bushels	11,940	Lard, pks	2,896
Oats, bushels	16,525	Stearine, pks	13
Malt, bushels	1,200	Butter, pks	1,434
Barley, bushels	7,500	Cheese, pks	2,025
Grass seed, bags	508	Tallow, pks	35
Beans, bols	265	Dressed Hogs, No	1,125
Corn-meal, bbls	200	Tobacco, hhds	7
Cotton, bales	40	Tobacco, trs. & cs	22
Hemp, bales	20	Whisky, bbls	454
Hops, bales	174	Wool, bales	349

The export clearances hence for European ports, as reported at the Merchants' Exchange, Pine-street, were as follows:

By the steamer Java, for Liverpool—102 bbls. Apples, 465 pks. Tobacco, 20 bales Jaisp, 66 cases Rubber, 4 cases Oil Peppermint, 7,930 bushels Wheat, 693 bales Cotton, 337 boxes Bacon, 154 tcs. Lard, 35 hhds. Tobacco, 18 cases Silk-worm Eggs.

By the brig Alexandra, for Alexandria—8,000 cases Refined Petroleum.

By the bark Jacob, for Cork and orders—34,285 bushels Corn.

By the bark Nordkyn, for London—3,659 bbls

The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, FRIDAY, JAN. 17, 1873.

Amusements This Evening.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—BROTHER SAM—Mr. E. Sothern, Mr. John Gilbert, Miss Effie Germon.

GRAND OPERA-HOUSE.—ROUND THE CLOCK.—Mrs. John Wood, Mr. John Brougham.

UNION SQUARE THEATRE.—ATHERLY COURT—Mr. D. H. Harkins, Mrs. Clara Jennings.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.—RICHARD III.—Mr. Edwin Booth, Miss Mary Wells.

BOWERY THEATRE.—TWELVE TEMPTATIONS—Mr. J. S. Studley and Company.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—ALHAMBRA—Miss Pauline Markham, Miss Rawlinson, Mr. Neil Warner.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.—LED AND LOTOS—Mr. M. W. Fiske, Mr. Lodingwell, Miss Dunn.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE AND CURIOSITIES—Afternoon and evening.

ST. JAMES THEATRE.—SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS—Birch, Wambold, Backus and others.

BRYANT'S OPERA HOUSE.—ETHIOPIAN MINSTRELSY—Dan Bryant, Seymour, Reed.

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What may be regarded as the "last kick" of the coalition is being prepared in Illinois. On the 21st inst. Gov. OGLESBY will be elected to the United States Senate from that State. Last night Mr. TRUMBULL was nominated by the Democrats and Liberals, who propose to go through the form of voting for that distinguished politician, and then to submit the most solemn kind of protest that Gov. OGLESBY's election is "unconstitutional and void." It is worth thinking of, whether Mr. TRUMBULL could not be induced, for a handsome fee, to argue this case before the Senate Committee on Elections.

Mr. CHARLES BOWLES, the head of the banking-house of BOWLES, BROTHERS & Co., a firm that until recently did a flourishing business by the cheap method of pawning securities left in their care, will be much interested in the remarks of the legal gentleman who defended Mr. ROBERT BOWLES at his recent examination before the Lord Mayor of London. This gentleman explicitly admitted the frauds of which the firm had been guilty. He acknowledged that securities intrusted to what the firm humorously called "its honor," had been pledged, and money borrowed upon them. He claimed, however, that this dishonest and dishonorable transaction was exclusively the work of Mr. CHARLES BOWLES and his confidential clerks, and demanded the release of Mr. ROBERT BOWLES, on the ground that he was entirely ignorant of the robberies committed by his brother. Mr. ROBERT BOWLES, as every one knows, was committed to Newgate in spite of his plea of ignorance. Mr. CHARLES BOWLES, however, who is in this country, still maintains that he is innocent, and has the coolness to ask for a suspension of public opinion.

We are paying at the rate of something over nine hundred thousand dollars a year for cleaning the streets. Judged by the performances of the Street-cleaning Bureau, during the recent thaw, this is at least six hundred thousand dollars too much. Superintendent THORNE and his subordinates did effect a perceptible improvement on the work of their predecessors at the outset of their administration. The way in which the great snow-fall was met by the resources of the "Bureau" was not, indeed, very encouraging, but people were disposed to be lenient till a reasonable amount of time had been given to develop the possibilities of a monstrously expensive department. We have had three weeks of alternate frost and thaw, and even the most crowded parts of Broadway are left in the condition of miniature lakes of slush. Other thoroughfares equally crowded, such as Fulton and Vesey streets, are in a still worse condition, and altogether the Street-cleaning Bureau has proved itself a miserable failure. The draft charter proposes to legislate the present Police Commissioners out of office, and to transfer the business of street-cleaning to a reconstituted Board of Health. Perhaps the public may find some evidence of the employment of the $18,000 a week which they are paying for cleaning the streets, in a select deputation of "skilled talent" sent to Albany to resist this change. There is certainly very little to show for the expenditure in the state of the public thoroughfares.

Legislation for New-York City will evidently furnish at least three-fourths of the important business of the session at Albany. Two bills supplementary of the Charter have already been introduced, and will probably be pushed through almost simultaneously with that instrument. The one is for the reorganization of the Board of Education, and the other provides for a thorough reform of the Emigration Commission. It would be hard to say which measure is more urgently needed, and it is consoling to reflect that there is little danger of either being talked or manœuvred out of existence. A third bill is talked about which ought to be promptly drafted and passed with all reasonable celerity. We refer to a Police Justices bill providing for the removal of those who at present make the bench of our inferior Courts ridiculous, and some of whom, by their affiliations with habitual criminals, help to encourage crime instead of repressing it. We assume that such a bill will apply a like summary remedy to the Justices of the Civil Courts, and will bring down the salaries of both classes of Justices to a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars a year. In addition to this, half the existing force of clerks and attendants should be dispensed with.

The idea of extending the cautionary signals to the high seas has recently taken practical shape in the proposal to establish a floating observatory off the sea-board. The originator, Mr. WATSON, of Washington, thinks that such an observatory, connected by submarine wire with the Signal Office, would serve both as a signal and relief ship. There can be little doubt that such an arrangement would greatly subserve the interests of commerce, and be found a valuable auxiliary to the Chief Signal Office in announcing to vessels nearing our rock-bound coasts the approach and force of dangerous gales. From the marine registers of the last two months numerous instances could be cited in which vessels which have made the circuitous voyages from the distant ports of the Indian and Pacific Oceans, via the tempestuous capes, to the offings of New-England and New-York, have perished almost in sight of shore. The plan now devised is not expensive nor complicated. A small screw steamer, equipped for signaling, and stationed two or three hundred miles from Sandy Hook, might, telegraphically, obtain forty-eight hours' notice of heavy gales from the West or South, and communicate the intelligence to hundreds of vessels before the tempest would have time to burst upon them. The utility of the storm signals, to vessels about to leave port, has been now so thoroughly tested and demonstrated that it would be well to make such an experiment as this. It would, doubtless, result in perfecting a system of signaling endangered vessels that would greatly mitigate the horrors of the sea, and eventually save hundreds of valuable lives and costly cargoes.

Approaching Specie Payments.

It is no exaggeration to say that the speech of Senator SHERMAN, yesterday, was an appreciable step toward resumption of specie payments. For this reason, and because the speech itself is an excellent specimen of close and compact reasoning and lucid statement, it will be read with care by all business men. Senator SHERMAN is the official leader, as Chairman of the Finance Committee, of the Senate. He is also a very careful and skillful politician, unwedded to theories, accustomed to sounding the currents of popular opinion and feeling, averse to running counter to them, and representing a section of the country heretofore hesitant and suspicious with reference to specie payments. The Senator has himself, at different times, reflected this trait of Western sentiment with much distinctness. Yet the most earnest and consistent advocate of early resumption could not ask for a more unqualified statement of the great facts which render resumption imperative, or a more cogent and persuasive explanation of the harmony with which all interests combine to demand that policy.

Mr. SHERMAN, in behalf of the Finance Committee, presented a bill which will be found in full in our Congressional reports. Its main features are: The direction to the Secretary of the Treasury, on and after the 1st of January, 1874, to redeem United States notes on presentation, in gold coin, or, at his option, in United States five per cent. bonds of convenient denomination; the removal, from the 1st of July next, of the limit to the circulating notes of National banks, and the exemption of such banks as redeem their circulating notes in coin or in legal-tender notes of the United States from the requirements as to reserve made by existing laws.

We shall not now undertake to discuss in detail the probable operation of the proposed law. We content ourselves with calling attention to the sincere and frank spirit in which it is brought forward, and to the great value of the fact that it is, under all circumstances, brought forward at all. We cannot but regard it as a ray of light upon a future which all thoughtful observers were agreed was not without its aspects of gloom and danger. To those who have united with us in attributing many of the worst features of our time to the evil effects of an irredeemable, dishonored, and depreciated currency, the attitude of the distinguished Ohio Senator will seem one of great encouragement.

The Oakes Ames List.

Last Fall, when the Credit Mobilier scandal was first devised to prop the failing fortunes of the coalition, and to give an aggressive character to a movement already lapsing into insignificance, the assumed basis of the affair was a certain list of Congressmen who were alleged to have been corrupted with Credit Mobilier stock. This list had been produced in evidence before a Philadelphia Court, and ran as follows:

Blaine, of Maine	3,000
Patterson, of N. H.	3,000
Wilson, of Mass.	2,000
S. Colfax, Speaker	2,000
Scofield and Kelley, Penn., each	2,000
Eliot, Massachusetts	3,000
Dawes, Massachusetts	2,000
Fowler, Tennessee	2,000
Boutwell, Mass.	2,000
Bingham and Garfield, Ohio	2,000

We have now the means of judging conclusively of the value and exact meaning of this list. Mr. AMES, who is alleged to have dictated it, McCOMB, who wrote it down, and every man mentioned in it, except three, concerning whom there is no question, have been examined and cross-examined under oath as to the transactions to which it was claimed the list related. What does it all amount to? To this: Mr. AMES formed in his own mind, in the latter part of 1867, the project of "interesting" in the Credit Mobilier all the influential men he could, including members of Congress. His motive, he says, was not corrupt, nor does it seem necessarily to have been so. He wished to induce members, when the affairs of the Credit Mobilier, or of the Union Pacific Railroad, with which it was indissolubly connected, were likely to be affected by legislation, to "look into" them, and satisfy themselves that there was "nothing wrong in them." He believed Congressmen would do this more thoroughly if they held stock in the Company; in fact, that they would not do it at all if they were not pecuniarily interested. This is Mr. OAKES AMES' story of what he intended, and how he expected to carry his intentions into effect.

He succeeded in interesting several Congressmen, not mentioned in the list, and, curiously enough, never mentioned in any of the opposition attacks based on the Credit Mobilier operations. Senator GRIMES, now dead, Mr. ALLEY, now out of the House, and Mr. HOOPER, a member of the present Congress, invested considerable amounts, and took an active part in the business of the Company. Of those recounted in the list, and treated to the bitter aspersions of the campaign, the evidence discloses the following facts:

Mr. BLAINE was offered the stock, but declined it, not entertaining, however, any idea that the proposal was directly or indirectly a corrupt one.

Mr. PATTERSON agreed conditionally, near the close of 1867, to take three thousand dollars, par value, of stock of Mr. AMES, on the assurance that it was a proper stock for a Congressman to hold, and that no legislation would be wanted. He failed to take the stock, but believed he had a perfect right to hold it—as much as he would have to hold national bank stock.

Senator HENRY WILSON, on the suggestion of Mr. AMES, invested $2,000 of his wife's money in Credit Mobilier stock, with the assurance that the road would want no legislation; on discovering that the Company was in difficulty, he "backed out of the bargain."

Vice-President COLFAX agreed to take $2,000 of the stock, on the assurance that no legislation was required; he paid $500 on the amount; learning that the Company was involved in litigation, he canceled the agreement, and afterward, when Mr. AMES became financially embarrassed, Mr. COLFAX surrendered his claim on him for the $500 advanced.

Mr. SCOFIELD, of Pennsylvania, gave Mr. AMES one thousand dollars in 1868 to pay for ten shares of Credit Mobilier stock, but subsequently chose to take another stock instead.

Mr. KELLEY, of Pennsylvania, agreed to take some stock of Mr. AMES, but "the matter was dropped;" "he saw no more impropriety in a member of Congress buying that stock than in buying a flock of sheep, and then voting on the tariff on wool or woolen goods."

Mr. ELIOT never had any of the stock.

Mr. DAWES, of Massachusetts, gave Mr. AMES one thousand dollars early in December, 1867, to pay for ten shares of Credit Mobilier stock; received one dividend of thirty-five per cent.; learned the Company was involved in a law suit, and returned the dividend, receiving from Mr. AMES his original payment and interest.

Mr. FOWLER, of Tennessee, never had any stock.

Mr. BOUTWELL, of Massachusetts, never had any.

Mr. BINGHAM, of Ohio, gave Mr. AMES two thousand dollars in January, 1868, to pay for twenty shares Credit Mobilier stock at par, Mr. AMES returning a receipt and agreeing to account for all dividends. At the same time Mr. BINGHAM invested $650 in ten shares of another company of Mr. AMES. He settled the Credit Mobilier matter in January, 1870, and the other in the Spring of 1872, and thinks he made about $6,500 on the two operations.

Mr. GARFIELD was offered stock, but declined it.

This concludes the list. It will be seen that the only man of the number who made any money out of the Credit Mobilier was Mr. BINGHAM. We presume no one will question the statement, nevertheless, that Mr. BINGHAM's established reputation as an honest man and a pure legislator is not likely to be affected by that fact. Why? Because he was not one of the politicians whom it is considered profitable or pleasant to malign.

It will be seen, also, that of those who refused the stock, or who agreed to take it, and subsequently declined it, none based their action on any impropriety in the transaction, while several of them, and notably Messrs. PATTERSON and KELLEY, men of recognized character, distinctly assert its perfect propriety. Concerning this point, and several others involved in this matter, we may have some views to offer hereafter. At present we call attention to the facts as above succinctly stated, that our readers may have a clear and full idea of what the evidence in the case actually is.

State Debts.

From several Gubernatorial messages, recently delivered, we take the following figures for the basis of a comparison in regard to the proportionate burden of the debts of various Eastern and North-western States.

The net funded debt of the State of New-York is $25,886,725. According to the census of 1870, the population of the State was 4,382,759, so that the State debt represents a burden of $5 79 for each individual, man, woman, and child, of our population.

The State of Pennsylvania has a debt of $16,521,029, which, on a population of 3,521,-769, represents a burden per head of $4 69.

The net funded debt of the State of Ohio amounts to $8,583,546. For a population of 2,665,260 this represents a burden of $3 22 per head.

The State of Wisconsin has a debt of $2,259,057, which for a population of 1,054,670 is a burden of $2 10 per head.

The State of Michigan has a debt of $1,764,-222, which for a population of 1,184,059 is a burden of $1 48 per head.

The State of Nevada has a debt of $379,246 which for a population of 42,491 is a burden of $8 91 per head.

It will thus be seen that, exclusive of the New-England and Southern States, the most populous and the least populous State in the Union appear to keep the lead in the relative burden of their indebtedness. The State of Illinois has, practically, no debt at all; nor has the State of Iowa. Gov. HENDRICKS was too much occupied in settling his relations to the United States to descend to a question so trifling as that of State indebtedness; but taking the basis of last year's figures, the debt of the State of Indiana is a little within four millions of dollars, and represents a per capita burden of $3 34.

Of course, the comparison might be made more favorable to New-York by citing the State debt of Massachusetts, amounting to some twenty-nine millions of dollars, and representing an annual burden of nearly twenty dollars per head, or by adducing that of Virginia, which amounts to close upon twenty-six millions, and represents a burden of over twenty dollars per head. But there is no reason why New-York State should not, even allowing for the burdens accruing from her canal system, show a favorable comparison in regard to the rapid diminution of her debt with such States as Pennsylvania and Ohio. Let us hope that, with the lasting re-establishment in power of the true majority in the State—the Republican Party—we shall, in a few years, have a very different story to tell. At the same time, it should not be forgotten that unabated popular vigilance is a necessary element in such a result.

Life Insurance Among Clergymen.

One of the saddest spectacles in modern life is that of a clergyman or city missionary reduced to an "old age of poverty." He has given the best years of his life to labors of humanity and religion, when he might have been acquiring property or winning fame; and now, having finished his useful work for the world, he finds himself without friends or resource, to struggle through as he can. In his unceasing efforts for others he has lost the skill which would have fitted him for outside employments; he has the sensitiveness of a man of culture and refinement, and cannot bear to appeal to the more fortunate for assistance. If disabled by disease, he is thrown into some hospital or asylum as an "incurable," and passes the remainder of his days, like a denizen of an almshouse, between four bare walls or in the garden of the institution. If still able to work, he is reduced to hawking books, or collecting subscriptions, or performing some other of the manifold drudgeries by which such unfortunate persons are usually supported. Sometimes, it may be, his wealthy relatives take compassion on him, and afford him a slender pittance, which is the more galling to him, as he has the pride of an honorable profession, and feels that he has done for the world the work which deserves fair pay.

There are now, as is well known, throughout the country, thousands of excellent clergymen and missionaries, who see before them that most terrible of all futures, an old age of poverty. What is the remedy for this? We believe the true answer for the churches and the clergymen, for the boards of trustees and the missionaries, is to be found in that most benevolent invention of modern times, *Life Insurance*. This system is in fact the supporting the sick, the disabled, and the families of the deceased, by the small annual savings of the healthy, the fortunate, and the industrious.

It is doubtful, though it might be worth while to make the experiment, if the clergy throughout the country could save enough out of their small annual stipend to form an insurance fund for their unfortunate associates. The present annual average income of each clergyman of the Presbyterian Church is only about $650; of the Protestant Episcopal Church, about $600; of the Baptist Church, also about $600; of the Lutheran and German Reformed Churches, still lower; of the Reformed Dutch, about $650; of the Methodist, about $700. These salaries, which are only about one-half what our mechanics earn, are the salaries of refined and educated persons, who cannot be expected to attain the same degree of economy which a laboring class can reach. The immense majority, also, of the 65,000 Protestant clergymen of the United States have families, as a Protestant clergyman generally finds that marriage is almost obligatory on him as a condition of unembarrassed usefulness. It is not to be expected, then, that these clergymen should be able of themselves to make provision for their own life insurance. We are, accordingly, not surprised to learn that only one in nine have been able thus to provide for their families, and of these only about one-half succeed—fifty per cent. of the policies taken out upon the lives of our ministers lapsing from failure to pay premiums.

The only sound and comprehensive basis on which to effect this insurance seems to be for the churches and missionary boards themselves to set apart each year a small sum for insuring the lives of these faithful servants. By the well-known plan of "Annuity Insurance," each vestry, church, or board of trustees could appropriate a small sum each year, which they would not feel in their annual expenses, by means of which the clergyman or missionary could, say at the age of sixty, or whenever he was broken down, secure a comfortable income for himself. Such an expenditure would scarcely be felt at all by the majority of our churches or missionary boards, and yet it would avert from these useful laborers the gloomy future which now haunts them, of an old age of helplessness and penury. If a clergyman left a parish, this annuity could be transferred to another parish, or if he retired through the assistance of others, the annual expenditure might be carried on by his friends. Should an annuity insurance not be preferred, an ordinary life insurance could be taken out and assumed by the church or board.

Fortunately for the success of this idea, an association has been formed for "promoting life insurance among clergymen," of which some of our most respected and trustworthy citizens are the officials, Mr. JAMES BROWN being President, Mr. HOWARD POTTER the Treasurer, and Mr. J. M. SHERWOOD the Secretary. This Association is enabled to insure with the ordinary insurance companies at lower rates. Any parish, or layman taking the place of the parish, may become a member of it, and secure its benefits to any clergyman selected by him. Thus, by an outlay of fifty or sixty dollars a year, a provision of five thousand dollars can be made for the clergyman's or missionary's family, in the event of his death. One benevolent citizen has already thus provided for eight clergymen, another for three, and another proposes to provide for ten. In this way, at a moderate cost, a large number may be cared for. It is devoutly to be hoped that every parish in the United States will become a member of this Association, and our clergymen everywhere secured from the embarrassments which now so often follow them.

The Cruise of the "Challenger."

A fresh effort is to be made this year to discover the North-west Passage, by English navigators, the expedition being intended to start by the 1st of May. In the meantime another highly interesting expedition has already set out from England—having left on Saturday, the 21st of December last—from which very important results are looked for. This latter is known as the "Challenger Expedition," and is simply to be a scientific cruise round the world. Naturalists everywhere will watch this enterprise with profound interest, for it is on a scale, as regards perfectness and variety of equipment, never hitherto attempted, and it is hoped that discoveries will therefore be made by it of unprecedented number and value.

The *Challenger* is a steam screw corvette, of one thousand four hundred tons. Her guns, with the exception of two sixty-four pounders, have been taken out, and the ship fitted up, from stem to stern, in the most elaborate manner, to adapt her for the scientific investigations she is to carry out. The vessel has been granted by the Government, at the earnest solicitation of the Royal Society; two smaller craft, the *Lightning* and the *Porcupine*, having been previously commissioned by the Admiralty, at the request of the same Society, for similar purposes, on a more contracted scale. In addition to her regular officers and crew of two hundred and thirty seamen and marines, the *Challenger* takes out probably a greater number of persons eminent in various branches of science than have ever been assembled for such an undertaking. All the instruments on board are of the newest and most approved description. The apparatus for taking soundings is more extensive and complete than that used by the *Porcupine*, and she brought some two hundred weight of ooze from the bed of the Atlantic at a depth of nearly three miles. It is hoped that geological and other results will accrue by this means far in advance of those already obtained. An aquarium is provided on board; so that the habits of new creatures gathered from the sea may be carefully studied. Dredges of various sizes are taken out, and there are special little steam engines for working them, as well as for other purposes. Microscopes, micrometers, and micro-spectroscopes are provided in full variety. There is a laboratory on board, and an analyzing-room completely stocked with chemicals and apparatus. A saloon for photography, with plenty of instruments, is likewise among the provisions. Besides these, the Government Hydrographic and Meteorological Offices have furnished complete sets of their respective tools of trade. An extensive library of books of reference will supply requisite data on every subject likely to be inquired into. It is satisfactory to hear that the President, Council, and a number of the fellows of the Royal Society visited and inspected the ship at Sheerness before she went to sea, and expressed themselves as thoroughly satisfied with their examination.

The *Challenger* will soon be at some port in the United States—New-York, we believe—and our people will have an opportunity to view her for themselves. Her projected route is, first, to the West Indies; thence, after touching at Bermuda, she will visit this country. Afterward she will go to Brazil, via the Cape Verde Islands, and then double the Cape of Good Hope. The islands of the Indian Ocean will then be visited by her, and it is proposed to go into the Antarctic as far, at least, as Kerguelen Land. Thereafter the *Challenger* will proceed to Australia and New-Zealand, thence through the Coral Sea to Torres Straits, and so on to the Philippine Islands. She will cruise some time in the Pacific, go to Japan, then make her way across the ocean to Behring Strait, thence southward to Vancouver Island, and thence back to England. We shall doubtless get reports of this remarkable and important voyage, as the *Challenger* pays her various visits at ports with which we communicate, and such accounts will assuredly be read with the greatest interest in all parts of the civilized world.

A Friendly Hint.

There is a never-failing regularity in the appearance of the young man who drinks an enormous quantity of whisky for a wager, and thereupon dies universally unregretted. While there are certain features of interest in this feat, chief among which may be mentioned the satisfactory death of the performer, long repetition has given it a sameness which seriously detracts from its charm. Thus, on Sunday last, a person in Jersey City accomplished it, with the usual pleasant result, but the public has failed to manifest any interest in the affair. It is plain, therefore, that it is the duty of those who are anxious to divert their fellow-citizens by making superfluous beasts of themselves, to select some material less familiar and common-place than whisky wherewith to commit gastronomic suicide.

There are scores of ways in which this feat might be managed so as to advance the interests of science, as well as to delight the leisure of admiring friends. For example, the whole public would be interested in knowing how much coffee, of the type furnished at railway restaurants, a man could drink and yet live. Also, it would be a matter of much importance, could we know precisely the extent of the deadly power of boarding-house hash; or within what limits the sausage of commerce can be eaten without fatal results. Now, were the person who offers to drink a quart of whisky for an insignificant bet, to consent to drink, instead, a gallon of railway coffee, or to eat, say ten pounds of hash, or twenty sausages, his experiment would have the zest of novelty, and, however it might result, would contribute to our knowledge of the properties of poisons and of the endurance of the human stomach.

It is not impossible, however, that the chief charm of the whisky feat, to the performer thereof, lies in the unnatural character of the liquid he absorbs. If so, although he may scorn the venial coffee, and despise the not wholly immoral hash, there is still open to him another choice than that of whisky. Why would not cannibalism meet his views? It would be quite as repulsive and nearly as unwholesome as excessive whisky-drinking, and would, moreover, possess the additional advantage of eliminating from society not only the experimentor, but the boon companion who should lend his person to the success of the experiment. Were a really enterprising man to announce that on a certain day he would dine largely off of Yankee and beans, for German and sauer-kraut, or Irishman with mashed potatoes, the whole community would be interested to learn the result. And if after having won his wager by consuming an inordinate quantity of these novel viands, he were to meekly betake himself to a convenient gutter, and expire with the commendable promptness of the whisky-drinker, there would be nothing left to be desired.

It must not be understood that this course is urged, or even mildly recommended to those about to make beasts of themselves. The suggestion is merely thrown out as a friendly hint to excessive whisky-drinkers that they can, if so disposed, vary the familiar entertainment which they have heretofore offered to the public, and at the same time accomplish results at least as interesting and improving as those which are now secured by drinking whisky by the quart. If the hint is accepted in the same friendly spirit in which it is given, we shall no longer be annoyed by the needless wasting of eligible drunkards upon so trite and useless a feat as suicide by whisky.

MINOR TOPICS.

Yesterday's fog caused the usual delay and danger on all our ferry routes. So much has been accomplished by mankind in the way of successfully fighting the elements, that it is strange that we are really as helpless in the face of a thick fog as were the first settlers on Manhattan Island. Is it beyond the possibilities of science to invent a method of dispersing fogs? At all events, it is easy to devise means of improving ferry communication during foggy weather. At present the ferry companies provide no extra lights at night, and the feeble lamps at the ends of the piers cannot be perceived at any distance in a thick fog. No company has yet tried the experiment of using powerful calcium-lights, both by day and night, in foggy weather, and ferry-boats are left to guide their course by the uncertain tinkling of a bell. Certainly the experiment of the calcium light is worth trying.

The property-owners of Jersey City Heights, like their neighbors of Hoboken, have, it appears, good and sufficient reason for dissatisfaction with the arrangements made for improving the value of their estates. It is proposed to open Pavonia-avenue to the Hackensack River; but while it is generally admitted that much good would result from the enterprise, it is also pretty generally charged that the assessments are made in a most unfair manner. The residents of that part of the avenue bordering upon the river, although they are to benefit by the improvement more largely than the others, have, it is claimed, less to pay, and are to receive a greater allowance for lands taken for the purposes of the road-way. The Jersey City Board of Works has been petitioned to give up the project for the present; and in view of possible changes in the make-up of that body by the Legislature now in session, it would probably be wise to accord a cheerful compliance.

A "Northern question," or, more definitely speaking, a Vermont question is looming up, which promises to be of far more interest and importance to the Green Mountain inhabitant than any amount of "Eastern questions" possibly could be. The political complication referred to is as follows: The citizens of Franklin County, Vermont, hold that their share of the State taxes has been unfairly apportioned. They have, therefore, solemnly decided to resist the collection of such taxes. Now, this is clearly flat treason, and promises to lead to a foray of special constables, who will lay waste the hayricks of Franklin County, and turn its pigs penless upon the cold charities of surrounding counties. The State of Vermont cannot be defied with impunity, even by Franklin County. Doubtless a Peace Congress of Selectmen and deacons will try to pour political oil on the troubled waters, but if their labors prove fruitless, the State authorities will either have to submit tamely to dictation, or they will be forced to call for a dozen volunteer constables, and stamp out the insurrection with remorseless rigor.

Those enthusiastic Japanese are still rushing madly along the path of progress. They are not content to add the civilization of the West to that of their ancient empire; but they are determined to improve upon everything that any other nation has yet adopted. The latest news from Japan asserts that the Government has warned all "actors and wrestlers" that they must seek some other profession before three years shall have elapsed. It by no means follows, as certain American journals have imagined, that the theatre is to be abolished in Japan. On the contrary, this decree is doubtless intended to improve the condition of the drama. It is only the "actors and wrestlers"—in other words, those curious performers who fancy that acting is synonymous with physical gymnastics—who are to be abolished. Undoubtedly, the Japanese Government has become wearied of the wretched actior of rending tragedians, who measure their genius by the apoplectic symptoms which they bring upon themselves. These actors of the physical school are to be suppressed, evidently in the interest of natural and artistic acting. Such a decree would not be altogether out of place in certain civilized communities.

The *Guy's Hospital Gazette* is a London medical journal of by no means radical tendencies. *Nevertheless*, it has startled the medical faculty by publishing a communication from a physician connected with the hospital, which proposes an entirely new treatment for hysteria. Nothing is more objectionable in a well-regulated hospital than the hysterical young woman who will yell, and who refuses to be comforted and quieted by any amount of gentle treatment. The inventor of the new mode of treating hysterical patients states that he has found, by experience, that when a young woman in hysterics is seized by the throat and thoroughly shaked, the fit immediately passes off. He has, therefore, adopted the simple plan of choking all hysterical women, and is so much pleased with his success that he recommends it to all his brother physicians. It is all very well for the inventor to choke pauper patients. He has, therefore, nothing except the respect of humane men. But does he suppose that physicians with any regard to their fees, will consent to choke lady patients of wealth and liberality?

Some prominent citizens of Limerick, Ireland, lately gave expression to a pretty strong feeling in favor of encouraging the distillation of unlimited whisky. The departure from among them of a distiller for some other field of enterprise was made the occasion for a public banquet, at which speeches of that collective kind which savor so highly of "old malt" were delivered. In the course of the evening, a clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Rev. A. V. WATSON, is reported by one of the local newspapers, the *Southern Chronicle*, to have rejoiced in the re-establishment of the "Limerick Distillery." "I am particularly happy," says the reverend speaker, "that the revival should be made under such an excellent gentleman as Mr. WALKER, upon whom I shall make it my business to call, to thank him on the part of the burgesses of the Cherry Ward, *for having restored an old institution*, which has heretofore given such vast employment." In this country the distillers usually supply "vast employment" for the police and the police courts, but from the tenor of Rev. Mr. WATSON's remarks it is evident that he meant another kind of employment altogether.

On the sidewalk immediately in front of the Park Hotel, in this City, is a series of iron vault-covers, which have become, through long service, perfectly smooth. They undoubtedly constitute one of the attractions of the hotel, since its occupants can find inexpensive entertainment in sitting quietly at the windows and watching the public fall and continue itself to all hours of the day. During the slippery weather of the last few weeks these covers have been decidedly more slippery than the smoothest ice, and whoever has trodden upon them has either achieved a substantial fall, or has escaped that fate only by amazing feats of balancing, extremely edifying to the spectators. Now, there is no one who will not admit that these polished vault-covers are a dangerous nuisance which ought to be abated without delay. The question is, whose duty is it to remove them? Is it the duty of the proprietors of the Park Hotel, or of the lessees thereof, or of the City authorities? That somebody ought to be compelled to remove them at once is beyond all doubt. When this removal has been effected, a score of similar cases can be cited for the benefit of those whom they concern.

AMUSEMENTS.

Booth's Theatre—A Contradiction.

Mr. Edwin Booth is continuing to play "Richard III." at his beautiful house to excellent audiences nightly. On Monday next the tragedy of "Brutus," by John Howard Payne, is to be acted here, with Mr. Booth as the hero. "Brutus" is one of the strongest pieces of dramatic composition ever written by an American author, and contains some scenes of singular pathos and beauty. Mr. J. B. Booth, the elder, was very successful in this play, and there will be much curiosity to see the son—who has not attempted it in some years—once again essay a character so ably handled by the father. We are informed, by the way, that the report, originated by a morning paper, that Booth's Theatre had been let for the ensuing Summer season to Messrs. Jarrett & Palmer is totally without foundation in fact.

Notes and Announcements.

The Vocal Society of New-York gave its first concert, this season, at Steinway Hall, last evening, in presence of an audience that filled the place. The chorus included about seventy voices, and the perfect recital of the part-songs, which made up a most interesting programme, reflected great credit upon the members, and mainly upon the talent and industry of Mr. Joseph Mosenthal, the Conductor. The bill of the entertainment compassed Sir Henry R. Bishop's madrigal, "O By Rivers," Harriet's "I Long for Thee," Sir Julius Benedict's "Sylvan Pleasures," Leslie's "Those Eyes so Bright;" J. L. Smith's "Return, Bless Days; a *kyrie* and *gloria* from Schumann's mass; Ford's well-known madrigal, "Since First I Saw Your Face;" a solo and chorus from Mendelssohn's "Lorely;" "Hatton's "Tar's Song;" Wilbye's "Stay, Corydon;" Knecht's "The Wish;" Agnes Zimmerman's "To Daffodils;" Macfarren's "You Stole My Love," and Stevens' "Sigh no More, Ladies." All the selections were sung with intelligence, precision, and delicacy.... The Philharmonic concert to be attended at the Academy of Music, to-morrow evening, is to reintroduce to the local public Mme. Camilla Urso, a violinist whose admirable performances, enjoyed here a few years ago, cannot have passed out of the recollection of lovers of music. The third and last rehearsal preliminary to the concert, is to occur this afternoon; it will be commenced at 2½ o'clock.

OBITUARY.

Rev. Joshua Leavitt.

Rev. Joshua Leavitt died last evening at the residence of his son, No. 58 West Twentieth-street. He was born at Franklin County, New-York, in the year 1794, graduated at Yale College 1814, and was admitted to the Bar in the year 1819. His tastes, however, turned towards the clerical profession, and he was ordained in 1825. He started the New-York *Evangelist*, and was for many years its editor. He afterward edited an anti-slavery paper, in connection with Arthur Tappan, which he abandoned when the Garrison wing obtained control of the Anti-Slavery Society. He then went to Boston, and started the *Emancipator*. Returning to this City, he became managing editor of the *Independent*, with which he was connected up to the time of his death. He was the first Secretary of the Seamen's Friend Society, and was also Secretary of the American Cheap Postage Society. The first Hymn and tune book for churches published in this country was edited by him. In 1829 he published *Easy Lessons in Reading*; in 1831, *Christian Love*, and in 1847, *Lectures on Revivals*. He wrote much in favor of free trade, obtaining the Cobden Gold Medal, two years ago, for the best essay on that subject. He was also for many years past a writer for the *Evening Post*.

THE STREETS YESTERDAY

Slush and Mud Everywhere—The Thoroughfares Blockaded and Foot-Travel Dangerous.

At daylight yesterday the early risers found the streets of this City encased in a sheet of slippery ice. A light rain had fallen for several hours, and the temperature falling with the water froze as fast as it fell, making the sidewalks quite dangerous for walking. In fact, it was like walking on glass, and many bad tumbles were had by those who paid little heed to the dangers that beset them, or chanced to step on one of those traps, the iron coal-hole covers, so common in every street in the City. But this slippery condition of the pavements happily disappeared as soon as the rays of the sun made their influence felt, and as the wind changed the rain, which fell at intervals during the forenoon, rapidly lessened the thin sheet of ice that had formed in the night, and pedestrianism became safe if not comfortable.

Though the thaw again resumed its progress, the condition of our streets was not bettered. In fact, they were abominable, for slush and mud was everywhere, and in very unpleasant quantities and condition. Broadway was ankle deep in a soft, mushy compound, while here and there great pools of dirty water betrayed a fracture in the pavement, and formed a trap to the unfortunate horses that were painfully and slowly passing up and down. Their wheelers were wet and muddy, and often those persons near the curb received a shower of filth on their clothing, as it was spattered up by the feet of the horses in the middle of the stream. Crossings were almost impassable, not because they were dirty, but owing to the persistent obstinacy of reckless drivers of vehicles. As every side street near Broadway is still blocked by the huge mounds of snow piled up in it, teamsters are compelled to crowd into the leading thoroughfare, so that Broadway has, for several days, been crammed with vehicles of every description, and travel and traffic are alike impeded. Whenever a pedestrian came to a crossing along Broadway, yesterday, he was sure to find a truck or an omnibus quietly standing on the cross-walk in utter defiance of the City ordinance that forbids such a proceeding. Thus the drivers would remain wholly indifferent to the fact that two or three hundred persons were prevented from passing to and fro, and in no instance would any of the drivers get out of the way unless he could see a chance for plunging into the vortex of travel in the main street. The Police on Broadway yesterday were sadly over-tasked, and their numbers should have been largely increased. At Fulton street the jam was simply terrific, and despite the efforts of the three officers placed at that point, the movements of both vehicles and pedestrians were much impeded. New-Yorkers are so accustomed to run the risk of their lives in going about the City that very little fault is found when a blockade occurs. On the contrary, they boldly push on, in front of plunging horses, or under their very heads, utterly regardless of consequence or the danger they incur. Yesterday the writer frequently saw small bodies of pedestrians running to and down the middle of Broadway endeavoring to gain the opposite side, being all the time surrounded by cabs, trucks, omnibuses, carts, carriages, wagons and all the other descriptions of vehicles to be seen in our streets. Once in a while the escape from apparent instant death was something wonderful. How the ladies managed to move about was surprising, and the feat would have been impossible were it not for the prompt politeness of gentlemen who for the occasion tendered the necessary guidance or protection. Down by Wall and Cortlandt streets the crowd and crush was also noticeable, and teams were compelled to move even more slowly than usual. At Chambers-street another jam would frequently occur, and all the way up to Canal-street the traffic was much impeded. At Canal the usual crush was intensified, and the same trouble existed nearly all the way up Broadway to Bleecker-street.

In the Bowery the snow and ice had nearly disappeared, yet the pedestrians found the sidewalks very dirty, and the crossings frequently impassible. Up-town all the streets were wet and sloppy, though the snow was rapidly melting and disappearing in the open culverts. Coming down-town again, all the side streets were found in a most wretched condition. Nassau-street was full of holes formed in the strata of frozen snow that still covers the pavement, and as the wheels of the vehicles dropped into them the horses were frequently unable to extricate their loads. Wheels were broken, springs snapped, and collisions often occurred. The drivers were without guidance from the Police, and wholly ouraide of control, consequently they impeded each other's movements, and enlivened the scene by recriminations and vile profanity. Huge drays, loaded beyond the ordinary capacity of the teams harnessed to them, floundered from hole to hole, to the imminent danger of coupés and other light vehicles compelled to bear them company. Beekman-street was almost impassable, and little relief from the crush of teams and carts. Fulton-street was as bad as Broadway, and there was noticeable the same absence of Police supervision. Down in the Fourth Ward huge piles of snow, too, and garbage prevented in the streets the passage of any teams, and as the gutters were overflowing, the water was frequently running into cellar-ways and basements, much to the discomfort of the occupants.

Along West and South streets, traffic was likewise impeded by the same causes; and near the ferries, on both the North and East Rivers, pedestrians were badly, badly compelled to run the gauntlets through long lines of trucks, in order to reach the steamers that were to take them to their homes.

Very little evidence was given anywhere that the Street-cleaning Department was at work. Here and there a few men could be seen cutting open a culvert, or uselessly picking away at a mound of ice, but in no part of the City did the writer perceive any organized effort to relieve any one street or section of the trouble existing. Now that the weather is mild enough to melt the snow and ice, the mounds that stand in almost every street should be broken up and scattered, the gutters ought to be cleared, and a determined effort made to facilitate the passage of the water into the gutters, in order that when the present warm spell is succeeded by frost, more ice may not be formed.

As it is, the streets are a disgrace, and it is about time the Police saw them properly cleaned, and the tide of traffic duly restrained and directed, in order that persons on foot may pursue their several ways without more than the ordinary dangers of a crowded City.

The Fog.

Yesterday morning we were again visited with a dense fog, which lasted up to noon, and caused the greatest inconvenience to travelers, both on land and water. Pedestrians could scarcely see half a block ahead, the street-cars were uncomfortably crowded, and, of course, the ferry-boats on all the lines were unable to make regular trips. The consequence was that for a considerable period the boats, when they did run, were packed to their utmost capacity, no vehicles being allowed to pass over on some of the ferries until a late hour, which gave additional standing-room to the passengers. Long lines of trucks, carriages, and vehicles of all descriptions lined the streets adjacent to the ferries for several blocks, and the Police had much difficulty in keeping them in proper order, no cases was each driver to be nearest to the ferry-house. A regular "Babel" of voices was kept up by this class, and their yells could be heard at a distance of several blocks. When the ferry-boats were thrown open for the passage of the vehicles those nearest the entrance made a rush for the gangway, and when the gate was closed the fortunate drivers who succeeded in getting on board turned round and jeered their unfortunate brothers on the other side of the gate.

On board the ferry-boats it was impossible to see fifty feet ahead, and the constant sounding of the foe-bells, the frequent blowing of the steam-whistles, and the slow progress of the boats, made timid people wish that they were safe on terra firma. Few accidents have been reported. On the Brooklyn side a collision took place at 8 A. M. between the Hamilton ferry-boats Monticello and Columbia, as the latter was leaving her slip for New-York, but, fortunately, no one was hurt. The Monticello was not damaged. On the North River the John R. Thompson, of New-York, of the Cortlandt-street line, collided, but no damage was done. At noon, the Dater ran into the Union freight pier, smashing her guard-rail extensively and snapping her rudder-chain. The Hackensack and Hoboken two boats of the Hoboken line also collided, but no damage was done. The Staten Island ferry-boat Northfield ran into the Battery and broke two of the stone pillars. The mails, with the exception of Erie, were not much behind time. The Erie mail, due at 7 o'clock A. M., did not arrive for several hours afterward.

THE SICK CHILDREN.

Report from One Branch of the Children's Aid Society.

The "Sick Children's Fund," under the auspices of our Society, has now been in operation here one month, and it seems a fitting time to submit to you a brief synopsis of the work accomplished. Every day brings into clearer prominence the pure benevolence and humanity of this effort to relieve the sufferings and save the lives of the poor children of the City. We are constantly receiving fresh testimony to the benefits derived from the "Times Relief Fund" last Summer, and we hope the good work will never flag for lack of means to carry it on.

Since Dec. 14 ult., we have furnished medical attendance, medicine, and nourishing food for twenty-three children and six parents; in all, twenty-nine persons. We also helped to pay the funeral expenses of a little girl who attended the Fourteenth Ward Industrial School. Most of these cases were reported by the teachers of the Thirteenth Ward, Fourteenth Ward, and German schools. We have visited every case of sickness reported, personally, to ascertain whether they came within the scope of the "Fund," and, with one or two exceptions, the families were found in extreme destitution, and, in two or three instances, on the verge of starvation. I need not refer here to the sad cases to which I have already called attention. Several others, both sad and aggravated, have been brought to our notice within the past three days. For instance: We found a Polish family named I——, consisting of husband, wife, and six children, living in a rear basement in Lewis-street, overwhelmed with sickness and destitution. The father is dying of consumption, and the mother and youngest child are also sick. They are strangers in the City, having come from Chicago, where they were burned out in the great fire. The father has been unable to work for several months, and all the mother could earn washing and scrubbing barely provided the means of subsistence; latterly she, also, was taken sick, and then they were compelled to dispose of their scanty furniture and bedding, until all was gone, and the wolf was heard at the door. The landlord clamored for his rent, and threatened to expel them; the children, pale and haggard, cried for bread, and there was none to give them. The picture of poverty and despair was perfect. The physician, whom we sent to attend these poor creatures, said he would not give ten cents for all that was in the house, and the house was unfit for human habitation. Things took a little brighter now. The father's hope of being well soon went beyond the river. The mother and child are on the way to recovery. Food, coal, and other comforts have been supplied from the Sick Children's Fund, and thus the good work goes on.

If the contributors to this relief work could only accompany us in our visits to these scenes of suffering, they would sympathize still more heartily with our efforts to relieve them. Many of these children, suffering from measles, diphtheria, marasmus, and fever, have been found in hovels unfit for habitation, without a bed to lie on, and scarcely a rag to cover them. The whole cost of the past month's work will not exceed fifty dollars. Cannot this amount be doubled to enable us to supply, at least, bread and milk to these starving children, whose mothers, through sickness, are temporarily prevented from providing for them? We hope it may be said that the blessings of many who are ready to perish will descend upon the generous givers. Respectfully,

GEO. CALDER,
Superintendent of Rivington-street Lodging-house, No. 247 Rivington-street.

The Children's Aid.

The Children's Aid Society acknowledges the following kind donations, received in consequence of recent appeals in the Times. Other donations have been personally acknowledged to the generous contributors:

Previously acknowledged, Jan. 13, 1873	$7,280 85
A Friend of the Poor	5 00
D. M. H., Wooster, Ohio	10 00
U. B. T.	2 00
A Follower of Jesus	3 00
Total	$7,300 85

The Reform Movement in Jersey City.

The Committee of Twenty-eight met last evening in the meeting-room of the Board of Public Works. Mr. Stephen D. Harrison presided. Bill No. 175, which was under consideration on Tuesday evening, was again taken up.

Section 28, which provides for doing away with the usual advertisements of the sale of lands for unpaid taxes, and substituting therefor the serving of personal notices upon delinquents, was adopted. Section 29, providing that taxes shall become due and payable July 1, was rejected, and a substitute making them due Dec. 20, as now, and offering a graduated scale of premiums, ranging from six per centum of the amount down to one per centum, according as they might be paid, from June to November, was adopted. This section also reduces the penalty for non-payment to one per centum in January, and the same in February, in place of two penalties of five per centum as now. Section 30 provides for the manner and time of sale of lands for unpaid taxes. An animated discussion arose as to whether the sales should be made by the Board of Finance, but the matter was failed. Section 31, requiring six months' notice of sale of lands before conveyance of title, was adopted. Section 32, to increase rate of interest on unpaid taxes, after sale, from fifteen to twenty per centum, was stricken out. Section 33, requiring thirty days' notice of any application for a supplement to the act under consideration, was also stricken out. Section 34, that the act governing sales made by sheriffs shall not apply to sales made under this act, was adopted. Section 35, in reference to collection of taxes, was stricken out, having been anticipated by section 23. Section 36, to abolish the office of Water Register, and vest his duties in the Collector of Taxes, at a salary of $4,000, was adopted after considerable discussion. Some further sections, giving effect to sections previously adopted, were approved, after which the Committee adjourned.

Liberal Republican General Committee.

The General Committee of the Liberal Republican Association met last evening at the head-quarters, No. 814 Broadway. Thomas E. Stewart presided. The Committee on Organization reported the following as officers for 1873, all of whom were duly elected: First Vice-President, Prof. T. G. Glaubenskiee; Second Vice-President, Gen. George W. Palmer; Secretaries, George F. Coschmon and D. A. Anderson; Treasurer, D. T. Hoag. The constitution and by-laws for 1872 were adopted for 1873, and a committee appointed to recommend such amendments as were thought to be needful. The following resolutions, after some lengthy debate and slight alterations, were adopted:

Resolved, That we congratulate the citizens and tax-payers of New-York, although the candidate for Mayor whose election we advocated was defeated, on the election of that tried and trusty reformer, Hon. W. F. Havemeyer, to the Mayoralty chair of the Empire City, and that we pledge him our support in his efforts to stay the tide of corruption that has made the local Government of the City a reproach throughout the Union.

Resolved, That the interests of reform require that the powers of the Mayoralty, which properly belong to it be so far restored to it as to make the Mayor responsible for the good government of the City, and to that end that the charter as so amended as to confer upon him the power to remove all heads of departments for cause.

Resolved, That a committee of seven be appointed by the President for the purpose of urging amendments to the charter before the Legislature, at Albany, and otherwise legislation affecting the interests of the City, and to co-operate with the Mayor in promoting all measures of reform.

The President of the Association was added to the Committee. After the adoption of other resolutions regarding the employes in public departments, the meeting adjourned.

German Reform Organizations.

The Eighteenth Assembly District German Reform Association have elected the following officers: Dr. Chas. Neff, President; Dr. L. Schultze and Henry Nieman, Vice-Presidents; Dr. Wm. Schmidt and Dr. G. A. Dunn, Secretaries, and C. H. Sousmith, Treasurer.

The Sixteenth Assembly District reorganized for the ensuing year by the election of Jacob Molnhan, President; Daniel Neve and T. Wiebel, Vice-Presidents; M. Bernhard and T. Weber, Secretaries, and W. Hobbe, Treasurer.

The German Reform Organization for the Seventeenth Assembly District have elected the following officers: Marcus Ottenburg, President; George Hencken, Jr., and C. Mannken, Vice-Presidents; John J. Schlaefer and John Cook, Secretaries, and Ph. Seiter, Treasurer.

A Mystery at Darien, Conn.

A teamster of Darien, Conn., on taking some freight to the railroad depot, yesterday, accidentally discovered the body of an unknown man lying on the ground beneath the platform. Nothing was found in the pockets of the deceased, from which any clue to his name or place of residence could be gathered. A stranger resembling the deceased was seen in the passenger-room about New-Year's day, but he suddenly disappeared, and nothing further was known of his movements.

LOSS OF THE ERIE.

Probable Safety of the Mails and Passengers—Without a Certificate.

Yesterday a telegram was received at the office of the United States and Brazil Mail Steam-ship Company, from their agent in St. Thomas, confirming the statement of the loss of the Erie, and adding that, as far as could be ascertained, the passengers and mails had been saved. The vessel was seen on fire on Jan. 1, by a passing schooner, about twelve miles from Parahya, a small town ninety miles north of Fernambuco. Five of the boats, filled with the passengers and crew, were also seen making their way shoreward. Had they reached the land in safety, they could easily have gone on foot to Parahya and thence, after probably a week's delay, to Rio, by the coasting steamer between the latter port and Para, which calls at Parahya twice every month. In such case they would be brought on by the next steamer, due at this port Feb. 22. The Erie carried a crew of seventy-nine, including twenty-one in the master's department, thirty-six in the engineer's, twenty in the steward's, and two watchmen. At this season of the year the vessels of this line start on the homeward trip with about twenty passengers, which would make the number of persons on board the lost ship about ninety.

The vessel was inspected on Nov. 24, 1871, and received a certificate for one year. After making a single ship she was rebuilt and enlarged, and remodeled. She took up to sail on her first voyage after being overhauled, on Nov. 23 last, the day before the expiration of her certificate, and ascertaining that fact on the morning of her departure, Inspector L. H. Sobla sent the following note to Deputy Collector Embree:

NEW-YORK, Nov. 23.

DEAR SIR: I deem it my official duty to hereby notify you that preparations are being made to take the steam-ship Erie today on a voyage of at least two months. By the records of this office the Inspector's certificate of the Erie expires to-morrow, the 24th instant.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,
L. H. SOBLE,
United States Local Inspector.
To G. W. Embree, Deputy Collector of Customs, New-York.

The vessel had cleared two hours before the receipt of the letter, but Mr. Embree immediately communicated with the Company on the subject, but the latter declined to detain the vessel for inspection, on the ground that her equipments had been provided in accordance with the suggestions of the inspectors, and the renewal of the certificate would be mere formality. As the certificate did not expire until the following day, the Custom-house authorities, believing that they had no power to detain the vessel, took no further action, and the Erie went to sea on that afternoon, as originally intended, being thus without a certificate a day after sailing.

The lost vessel was valued at $500,000, and was insured for two-thirds of that amount, but the Company are as yet unable to give any estimate of the value of her cargo.

The Erie was one of the largest American-built steam-ships afloat, her length being 325 feet, beam forty-four feet, depth thirty-six feet, with a capacity, when launched, of 2,900 tons, which was increased by alterations since to 3,451 tons by the raising of her bulwarks. The last vessel, with a sister ship, the Ontario, was built at Newburyport, Mass., in 1867, for a Boston Company, trading between the latter port and Liverpool. The Erie made but a single trip, when her owners failed, and, with the Ontario, she was bought in the Fall of 1871 by the United States and Brazil Mail Steam-ship Company, of this City. Both vessels were metaled and put into service, but after making a single voyage they were overhauled at this port and enlarged by the raising of the bulwarks to a level with the poop-deck houses, which gave the vessel four decks and increased the tonage from 2,900 to 3,451. The Erie was built of oak, and not of iron, as erroneously stated; was bark rigged, and divided into five water-tight compartments. She was propelled by a screw, worked by four low-pressure engines, and was also provided with four safety-valves and 1,200 return tubes. For extinguishing fire, the Erie was provided with 686 feet of hose, 300 feet of which was attached to four double-acting pumps. One hundred fire-buckets, twenty-one axes, and 230 life-preservers were also kept at available points on board. On each side of the deck, six of wood and two of metal, each 26 feet long and 8½ feet wide, with water and provisions in water-tight compartments in the head and stern. The boats were each capable of carrying fifty passengers comfortably, and seventy on an emergency.

Two Sisters Drowned in the Jamel Case.

The defense put in further evidence, yesterday, in the Jamel case, Mr. O'Conor continuing his endeavors to shake the testimony of Daniel Hull, the witness for the plaintiff. Two depositions made by him with contradictory statements as to the death of his parents were put in evidence, with a copy of the inscription on his mother's tombstone, to show his inaccuracy. Mr. Hoar objected to the tomb-stone evidence as not showing the identity, and questioned whether they recognized the parents of Daniel Hull. Benjamin M. Bosworth, of Providence, R. I., contradicted some of Hull's statements as to the topography of that city. Witness had been employed by the defense to hunt up evidence. Mr. Bosworth stated that he was a lawyer, but had not been admitted to the bar, because the rules of the court require lawyers to do wrong things sometimes, and he had declined to apply. Daniel R. Sallou, Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, in Providence, R. I., was called to show that the entry in the book, said to have been made by Major Ballou, in relation to Bowen's marriage, was forged. Some ancient documents in the handwriting of Major Ballou, were offered to show a dissimilarity in the handwriting from that of the entry referred to, and long arguments took place as to its admissibility. Judge Shipman admitted the documents, the customary objection. Stephen R. Weedon, deposed that his father was a physician in Providence, and that an entry in his book shows that there was a Polly and a Betsey Bowen, daughters of one Caleb Bowen. Mr. O'Conor stated that this was to show that there were two Betsey Bowens in Providence at the close of the last century. The evidence was admitted.

Disposal of Criminals in the Court of General Sessions.

In the Court of General Sessions yesterday, before Judge Sutherland, John Rogers pleaded guilty to an attempt at grand larceny, and received one year in State Prison. Edward Barker and John W. Wright pleaded guilty to an attempt at burglary in the third degree; sentenced to State Prison for two and a half years. George McGuire, said to be a pickpocket on the Third and Fourth-avenue cars, pleaded guilty to an attempt at larceny from the person, and was sent to State Prison for five years. Carrie Underhill was tried for stealing $37 from David Thompson, colored, in a saloon in Thompson-street. The jury had great difficulty in agreeing, and finally were discharged.

Edward P. Banning, Jr., was tried for forgery in the third degree upon James Sutton & Co., proprietors of the *Aldine*. The prisoner was a solicitor for advertising at twenty-five per cent. commission. During October he presented an order for advertising for one month, purporting to be signed by Fellows, Hoffman & Co., dealers in gas-fixtures, for which they were to pay $240. Upon this Banning was paid $60 commission, but the order afterward turned out to be a forgery. The prisoner was placed upon the stand and made a long statement, in which he said, under oath, that he had signed the order of Fellows, Hoffman & Co., at the request of Mr. Sutton, but denied having received the $60. He drew his regular allowance of about $25 a week, but was not paid for signing the order. He deposed that he was a physician, and claimed that the reason of his arrest on the present charge was because he had refused to procure an abortion.

Henry P. Vose, an advertising agent, testified that he had overheard a conversation between the prisoner's wife and Sutton, in which the latter intimated that the affair might be settled. The further proceedings in the case were adjourned until today.

The Alleged Coal-Corner Denied.

Yesterday afternnou a meeting of the representatives of the Reading Coal and Iron Company, the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company, and the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company took place at No. 71 Broadway. A reporter was informed that no combination was proposed, as had been stated, but that they were simply discussing the tonnage over the different roads. It was presumed that the price might be raised in due time. It was said that the companies now propose to come in direct contact with the consumers, instead of allowing the "middle men" to make whatever they choose.

The Internal Revenue of Hudson and Essex Counties, New-Jersey.

The internal revenue collections for the Fifth District of New-Jersey, which includes the Counties of Hudson and Essex, for the year ending Dec. 31, amounted to $1,321,879 45, as follows: Spirits, 904,808 77; tobacco, $322,074 64; fermented liquors, $539,384 91; banks and bankers, $65,635 23; gas, $68,063 27; income, $217,849 31; penalties, $3,563 19. There were manufactured during the year 35,806,750 cigars, 821,158 pounds of cavendish and chewing tobacco, 192,360 barrels of ale, and 1,609,904 kegs of lager. Of stamps, 5,966,094 were issued.

Fire in the St. Denis Hotel.

Fire was discovered at 12½ o'clock this morning in Room No. 69, on the third floor of the St. Denis Hotel, corner of Broadway and Eleventh-street. The room, which was occupied by Mrs. Roberts, caught fire from an overheated stove. The building, owned by the Renwick estate, and leased by E. T. Mosher, the proprietor, was damaged $100. The furniture was damaged $300. The lady guests of the house were somewhat alarmed by the fire, which was extinguished without much difficulty.

WASHINGTON.

The Work of Judge Poland's Credit Mobilier Committee Virtually Ended—Senatorial Election Investigations.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The Poland Credit Mobilier Committee did a large business today, and practically concluded its labors of investigation, as it will scarcely examine any more witnesses on the particular subject which is under its charge, viz., the bribing of members who had not been heard from—viz., Senators Wilson and Patterson, and Representatives Bingham, Kelley, and Schofield. All made their statements today. These statements are all clear, explicit, and very positive. They are worth cords of second-hand evidence in establishing the facts in the cases of these several gentlemen. The details elsewhere given show how far from being corrupted, either then or now, these gentlemen are. Judge Kelley was especially frank in defending his right to purchase Credit Mobilier, which he would have done had he not been too poor. It was no worse, he thought, than buying a flock of sheep and then voting on the tariff on wool. Judge Bingham showed from the record of legislation in Congress that his interests not only did not incline him toward the roads, but that the joint resolution of April 10, 1869, which was designed expressly to protect the interests of the Government, was reported from the Judiciary Committee, and advocated by him up to its passage.

ELECTION INVESTIGATIONS.

It should be borne in mind that the testimony of Mr. Bushnell respecting his contribution toward the election of Senator Thayer, in 1870, made pending the popular election for Governor and members of the Legislature that year, shows that, so far as it affected the election in this specific direction, its purpose was to secure the return of members who favored the re-election of Senator Thayer, and that finally Senator Thayer was not re-elected. Mr. Bushnell was a voluntary witness here, and the opinion is generally entertained that he traveled out of his way to show that like some others, he too had been potential with his purse in the political field.

THE CURRENCY.

The questions raised by Boutwell's issue of currency, and the inquiry of the Finance Committee as to his power to make such issue, have drawn attention of Senators and members of Congress to the necessity of producing by some means an elasticity in our currency, and making the relations between supply and demand more close than they now are. A warm supporter of the Administration in the Senate, a day or two ago, alluding to the issue of notes, said that no officer of the Government should have the power of relieving the monetary condition of the country, or of influencing it in any way. The financial machine, so far as the amount of currency is concerned, should be made automatic. There was a bill introduced for this purpose by Senator Buckingham which has been heretofore noticed, and this bill was today reported back from the Finance Committee in a form considerably amended, and Mr. Sherman supported it in a strong speech of some length. There is certainly a strong desire in Congress to find out and adopt some system by which temporary business necessities of the country may draw out an increased volume of currency, which will retire of its own accord, as it were, when it is not needed.

AERIAL TELEGRAPH.

The Senate today concurred in the House bill of last session granting a charter to the Loomis Aerial Telegraph Company. Dr. Loomis, the inventor, expects to revolutionize the business of telegraphing, especially ocean telegraphing by dispensing with the use of wires or cables. During the past Summer Dr. Loomis states he has made some experiments which demonstrate the practicability of his invention. He made stations on the tops of two mountains in Virginia fifteen miles apart, and sent up from each station a kite some 500 feet above the mountain tops. To the kites were attached five wires for conductors. He succeeded in making a comple connection between the electrical current of the upper air and the electricity of the earth, and transmitted signals as perfectly as if the stations were connected with wires. Having established, as he believes, the fact that the circuit can be completed, and that the connection and break of the circuit is as perceptible and perfect as when wires are first used, he has no doubt that the circuit can be as readily made, and the signals transmitted across the Pacific ocean, as from one mountain-top to another.

European Russia.

An article in the last number of the *Russian Review* gives the following statistics: The population of European Russia, consisting of fifty Russian and ten Polish provinces, was, toward the close of the year 1867, 69,364,541 souls, occupying a surface of 4,816,157 versts, or 87,485 geographical miles. That gives an average of 16.8 souls per verst, or 792 per mile. Averages, however, are of comparatively little value in Russia, where the great diversities in climate, nationality, customs, education, and race tend to produce variations in the proportion of the population of the various districts. The most densely peopled portion of the Empire is the ten Polish provinces. In a territory of 107,435 versts, or 2,220 geographical miles, there are 5,705,607 souls, which gives an average of fifty-three inhabitants per verst, or 2,569 per mile. Of the Russian provinces, those in which industry has attained its highest degree of progress, and those in which the cultivation of the soil or its more favorable conditions insure the means of subsistence to a larger number, are the most thickly populated. Thus Moscow shows an average of 2,777 inhabitants per mile, Kiev, 2,316, Poltawa, 2,218; Kursk, 2,103; Tula, 2,054. Another point of some interest is the population of Russian towns. A large number that are officially named such are only villages. About 100 of these have less than 1000 inhabitants each; nearly 150 vary from 1,000 to 2,000, and about an equal number are under 3,000. Most of the Russian towns, about 230, have from 5,000 to 10,000 inhabitants. There are only 140 towns in the country with a population of over 10,000. Of this number only 18 have over 100,000 inhabitants; three from 75,000 to 100,000; five from 50,000 to 75,000; six from 40,000 to 50,000; nine from 30,000 to 40,000; twenty-two from 20,000 to 30,000, and finally, eighty-nine from 10,000 to 20,000 inhabitants.

Ship-Building on the Clyde.

The *Scotsman* publishes a statement of results of the ship-building trade on the Clyde for the past year. It appears that 1872 has been the most prosperous year in ship-building yet experienced on the Clyde. Although the number of vessels launched has not been quite up to each of the last few years, the tonnage exceeds 1871 by 38,000 tons, and 1870 by 34,200 tons. The increase of last year has been larger than any yearly increase for many years past, and has been entirely in the class of screw-steamers. The year's tonnage of screw steam-vessels is 40,800 tons above 1871, 67,000 tons above 1870, 73,000 tons above 1869, and 77,500 tons above 1868. But while the screw vessels have so enormously increased, all the other classes seem on the decline. In the building of war vessels, 1872 has been a blank on the Clyde. In paddle-steamers there has been a considerable decline, and the year only shows 6,200 tons as against 10,900 in 1871, 10,150 tons in 1870, 8,300 tons in 1869, and 6,300 in 1868. In yacht building there has been a good trade, chiefly in screw steam vessels, the Commodores and Vice-Commodores of most of the English yachting clubs having followed the example of the Commodore and Vice-Commodore of the Royal Northern Yacht Club, in having steam vessels built for attendance at the annual regattas and cruises. Hopper barges and dredgers also show a falling off as compared with 1871, but exceed the two preceding years. In iron sailing vessels there is a slight improvement over the preceding year of 9,300 tons, but as compared with 1870 the decrease is 20,000 tons, and with 1869 the decrease is 51,000 tons. Composite and wooden ships are equally low.

The Schedlin Wife Murder.

The Coroner's investigation of the Schedlin wife murder will be made on Monday next at 11 o'clock. Yesterday Prof. Janeway made a post-mortem examination on the body of Mrs. Schedlin, and found the scalp cut or torn away from the forehead to the apex of the skull. The left temporal artery was ruptured. There was no fracture of the skull. A deep cut penetrated the outer angle of the right eye. Severe bruises were found over the left eye, on the back of the right wrist, and on the back of the left hand. The body was covered with discolorations and abrasions. Death resulted from hemorrhage and exhaustion consequent on the rupture of the temporal artery. The murderer, who was arrested on Wednesday night, is still in custody.

THE INFANT ASYLUM BALL.

A Great Crush of People—Brilliant Scene in the Academy.

The Academy of Music last evening presented an unusually brilliant appearance, even for an edifice in which so much of beauty and fashion have been wont to assemble. The first ball to benefit the Infant Asylum took place last night, and was attended by a vast assembly of the *élite* of Metropolitan society, together with a large number of representatives from Brooklyn and the adjacent cities. A noticeable and unusual incident was observed last night in the early arrivals of the guests. At 9½ P. M. Fourteenth-street and Irving-place was a blaze of calcium lights, and a cabet of sounds from the rapidly-arriving carriages of all descriptions, which, together with the hoarse shouts of the Johns and the stentorian yelling of the Policemen, formed a scene of intense excitement.

At 2 P. M. over 2,000 persons had arrived within the Academy building, and from the appearance of Irving Hall it was safe to assume that another thousand would be added to the number before the clock struck eleven. Entering the Academy and elbowing one's way through the throng that filled the vestibules, the order for the gentlemen was to march up three flights of stairs to deposit hats and overcoats. This necessary but rather tedious operation was performed on the family circle floor. Stepping out in the family circle the scene presented to the eye was brilliant in the extreme. That the family circle is a point of observation was satisfactorily proved from the crowds of critical gentlemen who strolled about its giddy heights and scanned the scene below. Little or no attempt was made at decoration, the airiness and vastness of the place, with the brilliant toilettes of the promenaders being rightly considered the most suitable and tasteful decorations possible.

The stage, of course, was covered and thrown open to the very back, and closed in with some very light-colored and well-painted landscape scenery. The proscenium boxes were simply decorated with the monogram of the Infant Asylum, done in moss roses and vine leaves. One of these boxes was occupied by the Committee of Management, and was a perfect kaleidoscope of beauty, as every lady connected with the management of the Asylum ventured at least once into the box to witness the success of their own efforts, the Committee-box was the grand centre of observation during the whole night. The ordinary boxes of the Academy, both those of the first and second tiers, were well filled, every box having been engaged several days ago, and many of them sold several times over, each time at advanced rates. The original price of the circle boxes was $40, but a large number of them yesterday morning brought $50 and $60, while the proscenium boxes were sold at $100 and $150 each. The proscenium box opposite the committee box was occupied by Commodore Garrison and his family, and was the scene of lively receptions during the entire evening.

Shortly after 10 P. M., the ball fairly commenced with a grand march, when an immediate rush was made to the platform, about 300 couples promenading the floor before the march was half over. The boxes now began to fill rapidly, and the buzz of conversation and the laughter and gaiety of the assemblage gave the necessary animation to the scene, and when the first dance, the Lanciers, was struck up, it was universally acknowledged that the Academy was just as full as it should be for comfort's sake.

Among other prominent guests present during the night was Mrs. C. K. Garrison, to whom was allotted the honor of opening the ball, which she did with Mr. Stockwell as her partner. The connection of the two names of Garrison and Stockwell was very happy on this occasion, these names having been the subject of much interest throughout the day owing to the excitement on the San Domingo enterprise. The business habits of New-Yorkers would not desert them even at a fashionable ball, and the appearance of Mrs. Garrison, who was superbly costumed in black velvet and point lace, leaning on Mr. Stockwell's arm, caused an animated discussion on the prospects of the Samana Bay Company. Shortly before 11 P. M. the first waltz of the evening was played, when the floor became completely filled with dancers. The harmony of colors in the dresses of ladies, at least at a public ball, is always a matter of accident, and the ladies are to be congratulated that last night both harmony and contrast were wonderfully preserved.

At the end of the first waltz, the promenade, which followed served to show off the costumes of the dancers to the best possible advantage. The lighter colors, such as carnation, lavender, and rose-pink, showed themselves to be the most popular favorites with the ladies present. The extraordinary number of chaines that were rung on purple and light pink, and the darker pink, with point lace overdresses, richly trimmed with flowers, were certainly marvelous.

Flowers and autumn-leaves formed a very important part in the toilet of the ladies present, and gave a very graceful and chaste appearance to the dresses, and in many instances took away from the outrageous that fashion and color have given to them. Shortly before 12 o'clock the ball was at its height, when it was calculated that 4,500 persons were present, and it was, moreover, conceded by some very competent and experienced judges that no public entertainment of late years had drawn out as much of the fashion of New-York, for the 4,500 present last night included more of the *crême-de-la-crême* of society than any gathering of late years had been able to furnish. Families, whose faces, at least, are seldom seen in public, appeared, last night, to grace the scene, and gentlemen whose names have been absent from such scenes for years, stepped from their retirement to add effect to the celebration of the first ball of the Infant Asylum. A noticeable and agreeable fact was the absence from the room of professional politicians. City politics was happily unrepresented. Where so much of beauty of person and costume was apparent as at the ball of last night, it would not be good taste to individualize.

The supper was served *a la carté* by Delmonico. The music, furnished by Grafulla, with two bands, one for dance and the other for promenade music, gave great satisfaction, and the programme of dancing was certainly one of the most varied and agreeable on record.

Valuable Present to the State Library.

From the Albany Journal, Jan. 14.

Manafield Tracy Walworth intends shortly to deposit in the State Library in this city a sabre presented to him by the Shah of Persia. Abbas Mirza, the ancestor of the present ruler of Persia, was the Crown Prince, and commanded the Persian army at the famous battle of Kehmiadzin, when the Russian army were utterly routed. This victory, so glorious in the annals of Persia, Mr. Walworth introduced with great accuracy of detail into his historical novel of "Delaplaine," and forwarded a copy of the book to the present Shah. A generous recognition of the compliment extended to both by ourselves has just reached him, and in the shape of the identical sabre worn by Abbas Mirza in that memorable battle. The first sabre worn by the Prince in that conflict was so beat by a grape-shot that he flung it aside, and took another from an officer of his staff. The best sabre is the one now presented to Mr. Walworth. The sheath is of chased gold, and the sword knot and tassel are decorated with pearls estimated to be worth in gold about $3,500.

A Coming Picture Sale.

The London correspondent of the Manchester *Guardian* writes that a very extensive and interesting sale of engravings by and after Turner is to come on at Messrs. Christie's in March. The engravings number considerably more than 20,000, and include thousands of copies of the larger and more expensive plates. The plates themselves are likewise valuable, many being in excellent condition. This property has lain for twenty years uncared for in the house in Queen Anne-street, where Turner's studio was. This house, tenantless, dirty, literally rotting away, of which the neighbors said it was a disgrace and an eyesore to their street, contained the treasures which Messrs. Christie are about to offer to the world. Death has lately removed the man who was ostensible custodian of the property, and after his death there were found piles of engravings of all kinds reaching breast high round the room. Slates had fallen off the roof, the water had dripped in and was actually standing in tiny pools on some of the heaps of prints, and the floors had so far rotted that some of them appeared unsafe to carry a single person. By purchase or by death several of the claims on the property have become extinguished, until it is now vested jointly in the hands of two gentlemen, distant relatives of the painter, one of whom had to be fetched from the wilder parts of Alabama to establish his identity and his right to a share of these treasures. The sale will include quantities varying from about 400 to 600 each of the larger and more popular engravings, such as "Caligula's Bridge," "Dido and Æneas," "Mercury and Argus," "Mercury and Herse," and "Crossing the Brook;" more than 400 sets of the England and Wales series, and large numbers of the smaller book plates illustrating the works of Scott, Byron, Milton, Campbell and Rogers, together with those done for the Keepsake, Annual Tours, and other works. Of the published plates of Liber Studiorum there are few or no good examples, but collectors may enrich their folios from the etchings, of which there are more than 200 of the published series, and more than eight of the rarest unpublished. A number of the copper-plates of the unpublished part of that work were found lying heaped in a corner of some old cupboard, where a charwoman had pitched them out of the way.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

The Canada Air-line Railway will be opened for business on Saturday.

Surgeon J. S. Knight is ordered to the receiving-ship Ohio.

Work has begun on the inauguration ball building in Judiciary-square, Washington.

The thermometer fell 36° in Cincinnati, yesterday, up till midnight, when it marked 29°, and was still on the decline.

The Maine Legislature met in convention yesterday, and elected Wm. Caldwell State Treasurer.

A Bill was reported in the Maine Senate, yesterday, providing for a State Board of Immigration.

The snow in Halifax, N. S., is rapidly

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The attendance at the Exchange yesterday, Thursday, Jan. 16, was again quite large, but the only sales made were those in charge of H. N. Camp, of three additional houses in the block on the north side of East Fifty-ninth-street, between Madison and Fourth avenues. The sales, as of Wednesday, were effected under a Supreme Court foreclosure decree, G. Irving Whitehead, Esq., referee. The property sold as follows: four-story and basement high-stoop Ohio stone front house and lot, latter, 16.8 by 100.5; East Fifty-ninth-street, north side, 90 feet east of Madison-avenue; purchased by B. P. Fairchild for $18,200. Similar house and lot, adjoining, purchased by Lyman N. Jones for $18,100, and similar house and lot, next door, adjoining, purchased by Mr. Fairchild for $18,000. The sale of the third house, noticed for yesterday, 122.4 feet east of Madison-avenue, was postponed until to-morrow, (Saturday.) The prices realized were about the same as those of the previous day, for the houses and lots are but 16.8 feet front, while those sold Wednesday were 20 feet. The legal auction in charge of Mallet, Wilkins & Co., involving the disposition of the property, No. 278 Broadway, between White and Franklin streets, and the houses and lots Nos. 73, 74 and 76 Sullivan-street, between Broome and Spring streets, was adjourned to Feb. 20. No other business was transacted.

Today the following auctions are expected to occur: By Enoch N. Gunn, foreclosure sale by order of Superior Court, under four separate decrees. Messrs. Geo. L. Trenham, W. L. Livingston, Thos. H. Landon, and Jacob F. Miller, respectively, referees, at Exchange, of four Ohio stone front houses and lots on the north side of East Fifty-ninth-street, beginning at a point 425 feet west of Madison-avenue. Lots in size each 20 by 100.5. By E. H. Ludlow & Co., adjourned foreclosure sale, by order of Supreme Court, Messrs. Stephen D. Van Schaick and Stephen H. Olin, referees, of the freehold of the house and lot No. 740 West Thirty-fourth-street, south side, seventy-eight feet east of Tenth-avenue. Lot 21.6 by 98, and by Jas. M. Miller, adjourned foreclosure sale by order of Supreme Court, Wm. M. Howland, Esq., referee, at Exchange, of the store and lot No. 109 Church-street. Lot, 21.3 by 75 feet.

Jos. S. Pierce, No. 106 Broadway, has recently sold at private contract, a plot containing about five City lots, situate on the north side of West Seventy-sixth-street, running through to Seventy-seventh-street, 250 feet west of Eighth-avenue, front on Seventy-sixth-street, 64.6 feet; on Seventy-seventh-street, 59.2 feet; depth, 204 feet, for $26,000.

Exchange Sales, Thursday, Jan. 16.

NEW-YORK.

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1 four-story and basement high-stoop Ohio stone front h. and l, East 59th-st., n. s., 90 ft. east of Madison-av., lot 16.8x100.5..... $18,200
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Recorded Real Estate Transfers.

NEW-YORK.

Wednesday, Jan. 15.

Baxter-st., No. 38, e. s., 150 ft. s. of Canal-st., 25x
100; Baxter-st., No. 42, e. s., 25x100..... $25,000
Cherry-st., No. 87, e. s., 20x100..... 14,500
Fort George property, plot No. 125..... 12,000
King's Bridge road, n. s., 120 ft. w. of Haw-
thorne-st., 100x250..... 5,750
Monroe-st., s. s., No. 13, 20x50.10..... 3,250
27th-st., n. s., 225 ft. e. of 6th-av., 20x92..... 27,982
Same, n. s., Nos. 221 and 223, 40.7x92.2x40.7x92.2. 18,000
Sixth-st., n. s., 75 and 87, n. s., 100 ft. e. of 6th-
av., 50x98.9..... 60,800
Sixth-st., n. s., 120 ft. e. of 7th-av., 32x102.1x28.7x
103.5..... 15,000
Same, n. s., 195 ft. e. of 6th-av., 21x100.5..... 47,000
Tenth-st., s. s., 225.8 ft. w. of 3d-av., 75x100.5..... 56,000
32d-st., s. s., extending from 1st to 2d-av., 1 lot
block..... 70,000
125th-st., n. s., 125 ft. w. of 6th-av., 25x1 block... 2,500
125th-st., n. s., 75 ft. w. of 6th-av., 140x36.11..... 112,000
125th-st., s. s., 125 ft. w. of 4th-av., 20x36.11..... 16,000
Madison-av., e. s., 82.5 ft. n. of 70th-st., 20x77..... 30,000
Academy-st., n. w. corner Vermilyea-av., 137x
100..... 5,000
3d-av., W. s., 50.3 ft. n. of 42d-st., 25.1x100..... 25,000
2d-av., e. s., 100.5 ft. n. of 61st-st., 25x149.6..... 9,500

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EAST FIFTY-THIRD-STREET, a few doors from 4th-av.—4 story, brown stone.

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CLINTON SAVINGS BANK,

NO. 244 8TH-AV.

Deposits made on or before Jan. 20 will date from the 1st inst. Interest at Six per Cent. per annum.

NATHANIEL ELLIS, President.

ORLANDO P. SMITH, Secretary.

CHARTERED BY THE UNITED STATES.

THE FREEDMEN'S SAVINGS AND TRUST COMPANY.

ASSETS OVER $4,000,000.

A NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK.

No. 155 BLEECKER-ST., NEW-YORK.

INTEREST SIX PER CENT.

Deposits payable ON DEMAND with interest due. Accounts strictly *private* and *confidential*.

Interest paid by check, if desired, to depositors residing out of the City.

A specialty made of issuing Compound Interest Certificates payable ON DEMAND.

Several advantages afforded to those having in charge trust funds.

The following persons are among the

TRUSTEES:

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Gen. B. W. BRICE.....Late Chief Paymaster, U. S. A.
R. B. FRENCH.....Second Auditor U. S. Treasury.
MOSES KELLY.....Cashier National Metropolitan Bank.
WM. RICHARDSON.....Asst Sec'y United States Treasury.
L. R. TUTTLE.....Assistant Treas. of the United States.

New-York City.

WILLIAM C. BRYANT.....The Evening Post.
R. R. GRAVES.....R. R. Graves & Co.
REV. H. GARRETT, D. D.....Pastor Shiloh Pres. Ch.
WALTER T. HATCH.....W. T. Hatch & Son.
SAMUEL HOLMES.....Scovill Manufacturing Company.
SETH B. HUNT.....Seth B. Hunt & Co.
E. A. LAMBERT.....Pres. Craftsmen's Life Ass. Co.
E. P. SMITH.....59 Reade-street.
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Boston.

HON. WILLIAM CLAFLIN.....Ex-Gov. of Massachusetts.

BANK HOURS—Daily, from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., and on Monday and Saturday nights, from 5 to 8 P. M.

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G. W. STICKNEY, Actuary. J. J. ZUILLE, Cashier.

EQUITABLE SAVINGS INSTITUTION.

NO. 170 6TH-AV., CORNER 12TH-ST.

Semi-annual interest at the rate of Six per Cent. per annum, will be paid on and after Monday, Jan. 20, on all sums from $5 upwards which have been on deposit one or more months next previous to Jan. 1.

Interest not withdrawn will be credited as principal.

MONEY DEPOSITED ON OR BEFORE JAN. 20 WILL DRAW INTEREST FROM JAN. 1.

BANK OPEN EVERY DAY FROM 8 A. M. TO 8 P. M.

Interest begins the FIRST OF EVERY MONTH.

JOHN P. WHITE, President.

FLOYD CLARKSON, Secretary.

Broadway Savings Institution,

NO. 237 BROADWAY, entrance on Park-place.

Interest on deposits entitled thereto, for the six months ending Dec. 31, at the rate of Six per Cent. per annum, on all sums of $5 and upward, will be paid on and after Monday, Jan. 20, 1873.

WADE B. WORRALL, Sec. PETER CUMMING, Actuary.

GREENWICH SAVINGS BANK.

No. 73 6TH-AV., NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1872.

Interest will be paid to depositors, at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, on all sums of $5 to $500, and six per cent. on all sums exceeding $500, agreeably with the provisions of the by-laws, free from Government tax., and payable on and after Monday, the 20th of January.

Interest not called for will be credited as principal, and draw interest from Jan. 1.

All deposits made on or before Jan. 10, 1873, will draw interest from the 1st.

BENJAMIN F. WHERLWRIGHT, President.

JAMES BRUCE, J. HARDIN RHOADES, } Secretaries.

GERMAN UP-TOWN SAVINGS BANK.

Nos. 205 and 205 3d-av., corner 56th-st.

Money deposited on or before Jan. 20 will draw interest from Jan. 1, at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum, on all sums from $1 to $5,000. Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays from 6 P. M. to 8 P. M.

CHRISTIAN SCHWARTZ, President.

CHAS. SCHAEFNER, Sec. and Treas.

PEOPLES' SAVINGS BANK.

No. 201 3d-av., corner of 22d-st.

The usual semi-annual interest, at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum on all sums entitled thereto on the 1st day of January, will be paid on and after Jan. 20.

Deposits received of any sum from *One* to *Twenty-five Thousand Dollars*.

Money deposited on or before *Jan. 20 will draw interest* from *Jan. 1*.

FRED. OLMSTEAD, President.

CHARLES T. RODGERS, Secretary.

THE TRUSTEES OF THE SEAMEN'S BANK FOR SAVINGS have ordered that INTEREST be paid to depositors entitled thereto, for the six months ending 31st inst., as follows:

On sums of 500 Dollars and under, at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum, and

On sums exceeding $500 Dollars, at the rate of FIVE PER CENT. per annum. ALSO, an EXTRA INTEREST of the same amount, payable on and after MONDAY, 20th inst.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 9, 1873.

JOHN H. BOYNTON, Secretary.

PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR CEMENT AND IRON-WORK for a portion of the new City Hall building, San Francisco, Cal.

Sealed proposals for furnishing 5,000 barrels of Hydraulic Cement, also for Rolled Iron Joists, as per printed specifications, schedules, &c., (to be seen at the banking-house of Messrs. Eugene Kelly & Co., No. 34 Pine-st., New-York,) will be received at the office of the Board of City Hall Commissioners, corner of McAllister and Leavenworth sts., San Francisco, until 12 o'clock M. of SATURDAY, the 15th day of February, 1873.

Printed form of proposals, plans, drawings, and terms upon which bids will be entertained, can now be seen as above at No. 34 Pine-st.

P. H. CANAVAN,
JOS. G. EASTLAND,
CHAS. E. MCLANE,
Board of City Hall Commissioners.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 25, 1872.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.

CAR FERRY STEAMERS.

Sealed proposals for the construction of a car ferry steamer for use in the Detroit and St. Clair Rivers, of 280 feet measurement over all, will be received by the undersigned, up to the 1st March next.

Plans may be seen, and specifications and all further information obtained on application to W. R. MUIR, General Superintendent, Hamilton, on the 8th February, and will be open for inspection for a fortnight. JOSEPH PRICE, Treasurer,

GENERAL OFFICES, HAMILTON, Jan. 13, 1873.

DENTISTRY.

COLTON DENTAL ASSOCIATION Originated the amalgamous use of nitrous oxide gas, administer it in the most approved manner, do nothing but extract teeth, and they certainly do that without pain, so 60,000 patients testify. See their signatures at the office, No. 19 Cooper Institute.

FINANCIAL.

INDIANAPOLIS, BLOOMINGTON & WESTERN Railway Extension

FIRST MORTGAGE

SEVEN PER CENT. GOLD BONDS

CAPITALISTS AND ALL INVESTORS are invited to examine the merits of the Bonds issued by the INDIANAPOLIS, BLOOMINGTON AND WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY, and secured by a First Mortgage on its Extension Line of 217 miles. On this work, **100 miles, from Champaign to Havana,** on the Illinois River, **are completed,** and trains will run over that section in the second week of January. The remaining distance of 85 miles to Keokuk, on the Mississippi, with the branch of 32 miles to Decatur, now graded and track partly down, will be finished in ample time for the business of 1873. The character of soil, increasing productions, and wide belt of country tributary to this part of the line, assure for it very large remunerative business.

The road from Indianapolis to Pekin, 202½ miles, has been in operation a little more than two years, and has established success. **Its earnings have steadily increased, giving in 1872 an excess of $385,000 over 1871. Net receipts** from this part of the line alone are **more than sufficient to respond punctually to interest on all Bonds** made and issued by the Company. It rarely occurs that this can be said of any railroad during negotiation of its securities.

The entire line of 420 miles has the support of a populous, exceedingly rich, and productive agricultural region, passes through and **connects important towns and cities,** and crosses immense deposits of good coal, all of which **insure local business of great magnitude.** Its own Western and North-western connections, substantially under same control, with prominent intersecting roads, will furnish large through traffic. The managers appreciate the necessity of unusually large equipment, and are providing for it as rapidly as possible. This, with new elevator accommodations, under construction expressly for this road, at Indianapolis, will greatly increase its facilities and **enable it to take large offered business, which it has been obliged to decline.**

Particular attention is asked to the unusual strength of these Bonds, which are a liability of the entire Corporation owning a line of 420 miles, and are also completely secured by a first and only mortgage on the extension. Of the whole line, **306 miles are completed,** and 26 more are graded.

With the certainty that Government rates of interest will in a short time be largely reduced, holders of 6 20s will find it advantageous to realize at present high prices, and reinvest in these Bonds, which we recommend as possessing ample security for all investors. As an investment, they cannot fail to prove largely remunerative.

The Bonds are seven per cent., gold, $1,000 each, **convertible into stock** at par, at the option of the holder, and may be registered without charge. **Price, 90** and accrued interest in currency. Coupons, Jan. and July 1, free of tax.

All negotiable securities received in exchange at best market rates.

Full particulars furnished on application.

TURNER BROTHERS,

Bankers, No. 14 Nassau-st.

7 Per Cent. Gold

First Mortgage Bonds of the Springfield and Illinois South-Eastern Railway.

We believe the above Bonds, at the price we are asking for them, offer greater inducements to investors than any railway bonds upon the market. They are a first lien of only $18,000 per mile upon a completed road, fully equipped, having a TRAFFIC GUARANTEE by which it is estimated that from one to two hundred thousand dollars of these bonds will be redeemed at par and accrued interest annually by lot, thus giving the fortunate holders of the drawn, bonds over 10 per cent. advance on their investment, and nearly 10 per cent. interest until the bonds are drawn.

We invite the attention of capitalists to this security as a particularly desirable one, and shall be glad to furnish pamphlets, and maps, and all particulars upon application.

JONES & SCHUYLER,

No. 12 Pine-st., New-York.

$50,000 OF THE 6 PER CENT. CONSOLIDATED STOCK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

$100,000 OF THE 7 PER CENT. ATLANTIC DOCK BONDS.

FOR SALE BY

A. B. SAYLIS & CO.,

No. 19 William-st., New-York.

WALKER, ANDREWS & CO.,

No. 14 Wall-st.,

ANDREWS & CO., Paris,

BANKERS.

Travelers' and Commercial Credits, Circular Notes, and Exchange on Paris and UNION BANK OF LONDON. Stocks, Bonds, and Gold bought and sold on commission. RAILWAY LOANS NEGOTIATED.

FIRST MORTGAGE 8 PER CENT. BONDS

OF THE

MILWAUKEE AND NORTHERN RAILWAY.

COUPON AND REGISTERED; INTEREST JUNE AND DECEMBER.

DENOMINATIONS $1,000 and $500.

We offer these bonds for sale at 90, and accrued interest, believing them to be secure, as well as a profitable investment. Full particulars furnished on application.

VERMILYE & CO.,
Nos. 16 and 18 Nassau-st.
GREENLEAF, NORRIS & CO.,
No. 66 Exchange-place.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, Jan. 15, 1873.

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION HELD on Jan. 14, the following-named gentlemen were elected Directors of this bank for the ensuing year:

WM. A. THOMSON, JOHN G. DAVIS,
D. S. GREGORY, ROBERT SEAMAN,
JESSE HOYT, HENRY COLLINS,
PIERRE V. DUFLON, ROBERT K. DAVIES,
BENJ. C. BOGERT, JESSE W. POWERS,
PHIL. TILLINGHAST, RUFUS R. BRICK,
SAMUEL COULTER.

At a meeting of the Board subsequently held, WILLIAM A. THOMSON, Esq., was unanimously re-elected President, and JOHN G. DAVIS, Esq., Vice-President.

A. S. APGAR, Cashier.

CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, NEW-YORK, Jan. 7, 1873.

SEALED PROPOSALS, PROPERLY Endorsed, will be received at this office until 2 o'clock on FRIDAY, 17th inst., for the purchase of $200,000 Brooklyn City Seven per Cent. Bonds, due 1874.

$100,000 Public Park Seven per Cent. Bonds, due 1918.

Proposals must state price offered, in addition to accrued interest.

The Controller reserves the right to reject any proposals not to the interest of the city.

F. A. SCHROEDER, Controller.

JOHN MUNROE & CO.,

BANKERS, No. 8 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK,

ISSUE CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT ON MUNROE & CO., PARIS, AND ON THE CONSOLIDATED BANK, LONDON.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,

NO. 59 WALL-ST.,

issue COMMERCIAL and TRAVELERS' CREDITS AVAILABLE in all PARTS of the WORLD.

OFFICE OF THE BROADWAY INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 10, 1873.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this Company and for inspectors, will be held at the Company's office, No. 154 Broadway, on TUESDAY, 21st inst., between 12 and 1 o'clock P. M.

JOHN WRAY, Secretary.

ATLANTIC INSURANCE SCRIP

BOUGHT AND SOLD BY

WM. C. & J. M. S., No. 48 Pine-st.

FINANCIAL.

THE

Consolidated Mortgage Bonds

OF THE

ST. LOUIS

AND

SOUTH-EASTERN RAILWAY CO.

(CONSOLIDATED.)

Of Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

30 year 7 per cent., with Sinking Fund of 2 1-2 per cent. of Gross Earnings.

PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD IN NEW-YORK. INTEREST SEMI-ANNUALLY, FEBRUARY AND AUGUST.

This road is formed by the consolidation of the St. Louis and South-eastern, the Evansville, Henderson, and Nashville, and the Edgefield and Kentucky Railroads, and is the shortest and best possible route from ST. LOUIS and CHICAGO to NASHVILLE, MONTGOMERY, ATLANTA, MACON, MOBILE, SAVANNAH, and CHARLESTON. Its superstructure and equipment are unsurpassed by any in the West.

ITS MONTHLY EARNINGS HAVE, SINCE THE CONSOLIDATION, ALREADY REACHED AN AVERAGE OF $105,000, AND ARE AMPLE TO OPERATE THE ROAD AND PAY THE INTEREST ON THE ENTIRE BONDED DEBT.

Three hundred and fifty-eight miles of this road are completed and fully equipped. The Consolidated Bonds are issued at the rate of $21,000 per mile for the purpose of making a single debt, completing branches, and supplying equipment to meet the rapidly-increasing business. $1,000,000 have been sold, and we offer a limited number at 90 and accrued interest in currency.

The St. Louis Board of Trade recently passed a series of resolutions expressing the opinion "THAT THIS WILL BECOME ONE OF THE BEST PAYING LINES LEADING OUT OF ST. LOUIS," congratulating the stockholders on "THE HONORABLE AND ABLE MANAGEMENT OF THE PROPERTY," expressing the belief "that THE SECURITY OFFERED BY THE CONSOLIDATED MORTGAGE BONDS TO THE AMOUNT OF $21,000 PER MILE IS GOOD, AND RECOMMENDING THEM WITHOUT HESITATION AS AN INVESTMENT TO CAPITALISTS, BOTH AT HOME AND ABROAD."

Under the terms of the Consolidated Mortgage parties holding Bonds issued by the St. Louis and South-eastern Railway Company of Illinois and Indiana, or by the Evansville, Henderson, and Nashville Railroad Company, (7 per cent. currency,) are entitled to the privilege of exchanging the same for the Consolidated Bonds, and can do so upon application.

We unhesitatingly recommend these Bonds as an unexceptionable Railway Security.

Full particulars furnished, upon application, by

GEORGE OPDYKE & CO.,

No. 25 Nassau-st., New-York.

WINSLOW & WILSON.

No. 70 William-st., New-York.

GUARANTEED BONDS

On a Completed Road.

The Cincinnati, Richmond, and Fort Wayne Railroad Co.'s

First Mortgage

7 Per Cent. Gold Bonds,

HAVING FIFTY YEARS TO RUN, PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN UNITED STATES GOLD COIN, "not inferior to the present standard." Interest payable semi-annually in New-York on the 1st day of June and December, and guaranteed jointly and severally by

The Cincinnati, Hamilton, and Dayton Railroad Company,
The Pennsylvania Company, and
The Grand Rapids and Indiana Railroad Company.

The road is completed and in full operation, and extends ninety miles from Fort Wayne to Richmond, Ind., and has contracts running ninety-nine years for the interchange of business with the above Companies, and with the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne, and Chicago Railway Company. Price, 92½ and interest. Full particulars on application to

WINSLOW, LANIER & CO.

No 27 Pine-st.

CONVERTIBLE

MIDLAND BONDS

A 7 per cent. Mortgage Bond for sale on one of the great roads running from New-York City—on THE THIRD LARGEST ROAD IN NEW-YORK STATE. The most desirable bond of all the Midland issues, affording the largest income and promising the greatest profit.

Price 85 and interest.

We believe them one of the safest and most profitable investments offered in this market for years.

ALLEN, STEPHENS & CO

BANKERS,

SOLE AGENTS FOR THIS LOAN,

NO. 25 PINE-ST.

VERMILYE & CO.

BANKERS,

16 and 18 Nassau-st., New-York.

DEALERS IN ALL ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

FIRST-CLASS RAILROAD AND MUNICIPAL BONDS ALWAYS ON HAND FOR INVESTMENT.

BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION

RAILWAY STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD,

MAKING LIBERAL ADVANCES.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

EAST RIVER NATIONAL BANK, No. 632 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1873.

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION HELD this day, at No. 632 Broadway, the following-named persons were duly elected Directors of this bank for the ensuing year:

DAVID BANKS, CHARLES JENKINS,
HENRY A. KERR, WILLIAM PHELPS,
A. C. COOPER, JOSEPH ROGERS,
CHARLES BANKS, A. W. BROWN,
AMOS WOODRUFF, WM. H. HUME,
A. D. PORTER, LOUIS C. GUEUTAL,
JOHN MORRISON, FRED. A. REICHARD,
ISAAC HENDRIX.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors, CHARLES JENKINS was unanimously re-elected President for the ensuing year.

Z. E. NEWELL, Cashier.

WILLIAM T. MEREDITH & CO.,

No. 54 Exchange-place,

OFFER FOR SALE

READING RAILROAD CONSOLIDATED 7s.
ST. LOUIS, VANDALIA AND TERRE HAUTE FIRST AND SECOND MORTGAGE 7s, GUARANTEED.
LOUISVILLE CITY 7s.
HOUSTON AND GREAT NORTHERN, AND HOUSTON AND TEXAS CENTRAL FIRST MORTGAGE GOLD 7s.

CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, BROOKLYN, Jan. 13, 1873.

SEALED PROPOSALS, PROPERLY Endorsed, will be received at this office until 1 o'clock on TUESDAY, 21st inst., for

$800,000 New-York Bridge Bonds, Seven per Cent., due July 1, 1920, 1921, 1922.

Proposals must state price offered, in addition to accrued interest.

The Controller reserves the right to reject all bids not to the interest of the City.

F. A. SCHROEDER, Controller.

JAMES G. KING'S SONS,

BANKERS,

NO. 54 WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK,

Issue LETTERS OF CREDIT upon London and Paris, available in all the principal cities on the continent.

Buy and sell Exchange on London, Paris, Amsterdam, Edinburgh, and Glasgow.

MUTUAL BANK, NO. 750 BROADWAY, New-York.—The annual election for directors and inspectors of election of this bank will be held at their banking-house, on MONDAY, Jan. 20, 1873, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.

WM. S. CARMAN, Cashier.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders for the election of Trustees of the Manhattan Land and Mining Company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 54 Wall-st., New-York, on MONDAY, Jan. 20, 1873 the polls to remain open from 12 to 1 P. M. The transfer books will be closed from Jan. 14, 3 P. M., to Jan. 22, 10 A. M.

GEORGE PERDON, Secretary.

FINANCIAL.

SOUTH SIDE RAILROAD,

OF LONG ISLAND,

FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS

(EXTENSION)

FOR SALE BY

JACOB R. SHIPHERD & CO.,

BANKERS,

No. 24 Pine-st.,

Pamphlets and all particulars upon application.

LAKE SHORE AND MICHIGAN SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY

NEW SINKING FUND BONDS,

COUPON AND REGISTERED.

$6,000,000,

Bonds due Oct. 1, 1889, with Interest at Seven per Cent., payable semi-annually, April and October, at the office of the Union Trust Co. of New-York.

$600,000, or Ten Per Cent. of the Loan, to be retired annually by the Sinking Fund.

Coupon Bonds of..... ....$1,000 each.
Registered Bonds of $1,000, $5,000, and $10,000 each.

Price, 92 1-2 and Accrued Interest.

ROBINSON, CHASE & CO.,

BANKERS, NO. 18 BROAD-ST.

CHICAGO AND CANADA

SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY

7 PER CENT. 1ST MORTGAGE GOLD BONDS, coupon and registered. Interest payable April and October, in New-York or London. This road, now making rapid progress toward completion, is the western end of the NEW AIR LINE from Chicago to Buffalo, with the best business connections at Chicago, Toledo, Detroit, and Buffalo.

Pamphlets and full information furnished by

LEONARD, SHELDON & FOSTER

BANKERS, NO. 18 WALL-ST.

WINSLOW, LANIER & CO.,

BANKERS, NO. 27 PINE-ST.

Lake Ontario Shore R.R.

7 PER CENT. GOLD

FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS

At 92 1-2 and Accrued Interest.

Issue, $20,000 per mile. Subscriptions to the Capital Stock over $2,000,000. Road runs through a populous and rich agricultural district from Oswego to Lewiston, on the Niagara River, with branches to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge. Connects at either end with leading Trunk Lines; is admirably located for securing large and profitable local and through business; 45 miles of track already laid; and whole length, 150 miles, under contract to be finished within ensuing year. Pamphlets with full particulars furnished.

We commend the above loan as one of the most reliable and attractive on the market. For sale by

GEORGE OPDYKE & CO.,

No. 25 Nassau-st.

EDWARD

SHIPPING.

WHITE STAR LINE,

FOR QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.
CARRYING THE

UNITED STATES MAIL.

NEW AND FULL-POWERED STEAM-SHIPS, sailing from New-York on SATURDAYS, from Liverpool on THURSDAYS, calling at Cork Harbor each way.

CELTIC.....SATURDAY, Jan. 18, at 2 P. M.
ATLANTIC.....SATURDAY, Jan. 25, at 2½ P. M.
ADRIATIC.....SATURDAY, Feb. 1, at 8½ A. M.
OCEANIC.....SATURDAY, Feb. 8, at 2 P. M.
BALTIC.....SATURDAY, Feb. 15, at 7:30 A. M.

From the White Star Dock, Pavonia Ferry, Jersey City.

Unsurpassed accommodations (for all classes) unrivalled, combining

SAFETY, SPEED AND COMFORT.

Saloon, State-rooms, Smoking-room and Bath-rooms in MIDSHIP section, where least motion is felt.

Surgeons and stewardesses accompany these steamers.

Rates—Saloon, $80, gold; steerage, $30, currency. Prepay washing to send for friends from the old country can now obtain steerage prepaid certificates, $30, currency.

Passengers booked to or from all parts of America, to Paris, Hamburg, Norway, Sweden, India, Australia, China, &c.

Drafts from £1 upward.

For inspection of plans and other information apply at the Company's offices, No. 19 Broadway, New-York.

J. H. SPARKS, Agent.

NATIONAL LINE

OF STEAM-SHIPS.

WEEKLY TO QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.

FORTNIGHTLY TO LONDON DIRECT.

From Pier No. 44 and 47 North River.

TO QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.

FRANCE, THOMSON.....Wednesday, Jan. 15, at 1 P. M.
SPAIN, GRACE.....Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 11 A. M.
ITALY, TWEEDY.....Wednesday, Jan. 29, at 3 P. M.

TO LONDON DIRECT.

DENMARK, SUMNER.....Saturday, Jan. 18, at 6 A. M.

These steam-ships are

THE LARGEST IN THE TRADE.

Cabin passage.....$75 and $85, currency
Steerage.....$30, currency

Prepaid steerage tickets from Liverpool, Queenstown, Londonderry, Glasgow, Cardiff, Bristol, or London.

CHEAPER THAN BY ANY OTHER LINE.

For further information apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.

F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

NEW-YORK TO CARDIFF.

The South Wales Atlantic Steam-ship Company's New First-class Full-powered Clyde-built Steam-ships

GLAMORGAN.....2,500 tons
PEMBROKE.....2,500 tons
CARMARTHEN.....1,000 tons

The next steamer of this line

GLAMORGAN, Capt. Laybourne,

will sail from Pennsylvania Railroad Wharf, Jersey City, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 19.

Carrying goods and passengers at through rates from all parts of the United States and Canada to ports in the Bristol Channel and all other ports in England.

These steam-ships built expressly for the trade, are provided with all the latest improvements for the comfort and convenience of

CABIN AND STEERAGE PASSENGERS.

First Cabin.....$75 and $85 currency
Second Cabin.....53 currency
Steerage.....30 currency

Prepaid steerage certificates from Cardiff.....$32
Drafts for £1 and upward.

For further particulars apply in Cardiff at the Company's offices, No. 1 Dock Chambers—and in New-York, to

ARCHIBALD BAXTER & CO., Agents,
No. 17 Broadway.

CUNARD LINE.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAM-SHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

FROM NEW-YORK. FROM NEW-YORK.
Celestial, Wednesday, Jan. 22. Parthia, Wednesday, Feb. 12.
Algeria, Wednesday, Jan 29. Java, Wednesday, Feb. 19.
*Cuba, Wednesday, Feb. 5.

And every following WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY, from Pier No. 40 North River.

Steamers marked thus * do not carry steerage passengers.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

Cabin, $80, $100, and $130, gold, according to accommodation.

Tickets to Paris, $15, gold, additional.

Return tickets on favorable terms.

Steerage, to Queenstown or Liverpool.....$30, currency

Steerage tickets from Liverpool and Queenstown and all parts of Europe at lowest rates.

Through bills of lading given for Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp, and all ports on the Continent, and for Mediterranean ports.

For freight and cabin passage apply at the Company's office, No. 4 Bowling-green.

For steerage passage apply at 111 Broadway, Trinity Building.

CHAS. G. FRANCKLYN, Agent.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAM-SHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:

VILLE DE PARIS...SUMONT...Saturday, Jan. 25
WASHINGTON.....ROUSSAU.....Saturday, Feb. 8
ST. LAURENT.....LEMAIRE.....Saturday, Feb. 22
PEREIRE.....DANSE.....Saturday, March 8

PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD (including wine)
TO BREST OR HAVRE.

Grand cabin.....$100 | Second cabin.....$70
Excursion tickets at reduced rates.

These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.

American travelers going to or returning from the Continent will find this the most direct route of the line, avoid both transit by English railway and the discomforts of crossing the Channel, besides saving time, trouble and expense.

GEORGE MACKENZIE, Agent,
No. 58 Broadway.

INMAN LINE FOR QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.

Royal Mail Steamers are appointed to sail as follows:

CITY OF WASHINGTON, Saturday, Jan. 18. 9 A. M.
CITY OF BRUSSELS....Saturday, Jan. 25. 2 P. M.
CITY OF BRISTOL.....Thursday, Jan. 30. 7 A. M.
CITY OF ANTWERP.....Saturday, Feb. 1. 9 A. M.
CITY OF MONTREAL....Saturday, Feb. 8. 2 P. M.

and each successive SATURDAY and THURSDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.

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EXPRESS STEAMERS SAIL FROM PIER NO. 20 NORTH RIVER, NEW-YORK.

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(VIA QUEENSTOWN.)

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THE LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY will dispatch one of their first-class full-power screw-steam-ships from PIER NO. 46 NORTH RIVER, EVERY WEDNESDAY,

as follows:

CITY OF CORK, Capt. MORGAN.....Jan. 22, at 12 M.
MINNESOTA, Capt. J. FRENCH.....Jan. 29, at 2½ P.M.
MANHATTAN, Capt. JAN. PRICE.....Feb. 5, at 12 M.
WISCONSIN, Capt. T. W. FREEMAN.....Feb. 12, at 8
NEVADA, Capt. .....Feb. 19, at
WYOMING, Capt. PRICE.....Feb. 26, at

Cabin passage, $80, gold.
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For freight or cabin passage apply to

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NEW-YORK TO BRISTOL, (Eng.)—DIRECT.

Taking goods and passengers for London, Cardiff, Newport, Gloucester, and all ports in Bristol Channel.

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ARAGON, Thursday.....Wednesday, Jan. 8
GREAT WESTERN, Captain.....Wednesday, Jan 29

Cabin passage, $70 currency, $30 gold.

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DIRECT LINE TO HAVANA.

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New-York and Mexican Royal Mail Steam-ship Line, leaves Pier 3 N. River, at 2 P. M., direct to Havana.

CITY OF MERIDA, Tuesday.....Sat. Jan. 18
CITY OF HAVANA, (Havana only,) Thursday, Jan. 23
CLEOPATRA, (Progreso and Vera Cruz only,) Thurs. Jan. 30
CITY OF MEXICO, Sherwood.....Thurs. Feb. 6

For freight or passage apply to

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NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.

Families or gentlemen going to travel on the Continent of Europe, who can afford the extreme of comfort, should not leave Paris without one. Their services are invaluable in selecting the traveler from multiplicity of cares and troubles respecting passports, examination and conveyance of luggage, in securing suitable accommodation, in protecting the traveler from imposition, and in all kinds of annoyances to which they are exposed in various parts of the Continent. Competent and trustworthy couriers and traveling servants may always be obtained by applying to the COURIER SOCIETY, No. 8 Rue d'Antin, near the Tuileries Garden, Paris.

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY'S LINE TO

CALIFORNIA, JAPAN AND CHINA,

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CARRYING MAILS, PASSENGERS, AND FREIGHT TO

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Steamers leave 10th, 20th, and 30th of each month, except when these dates fall on Sunday, then the day previous.

Jan. 31, 1873—Steamer RISING STAR, Capt. S. P. GRIFFIN, will leave Pier No. 42 North River at 12 o'clock noon for Aspinwall direct, connecting at Panama with the steamer GREAT REPUBLIC, Capt. CAVARLY, touching at Acapulco, Manzanillo, and Mazatlan and also connecting for all Central American and South Pacific ports. Departures of 10th and 20th each month connect with the Company's steamer, Lonchinar at San Benito, Tonala, Salina Cruz, and Port Angel.

Steamer COLORADO will leave San Francisco Feb. 1, 1873, for Japan and China. For rates of passage, freight, and all further information apply as Company's office on the pier, foot of Canal-st.

F. B. BABY, Agent.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—Steamer RISING STAR will sail for Aspinwall at noon, TUESDAY, Jan. 21. Through passengers for San Francisco by this departure will remain ten days at Panama.

F. B. BABY, Agent.

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FOR CHARLESTON, S. C., THE FLORIDA PORTS, AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.

Tri-weekly Line. TUESDAY, THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY. Sailing from Pier No. 29 North River, at 3 P. M. The side-wheel steam-ships

JAMES ADGER, Capt. T. J. LOCKWOOD.....Jan. 14
GEORGIA, Capt. CROWELL.....Jan. 16
MANHATTAN, Capt. M. S. WOODHULL.....Jan. 18

Superior accommodations for passengers. Through passage tickets and bills of lading issued in connection with the South Carolina railroads to all points South and South-west, and over the North-eastern Railroad to Florence, Chesaw, and all points on the Cheraw and Darlington Railroad, and with steamers to Florida ports. Insurance by this line ONE-HALF PER CENT. Goods forwarded free of commission. Bills of lading furnished and signed at the office.

Local Passenger and Freight Office, No. 177 West-st., corner of Warren-st.

QUEEN & CREIGHTON, R. MORGAN & CO., Agents.

For through freight tariff, or further information in reference to through freight, apply to

BENTLEY D. HASELL,
General Agent Great Southern Freight Line,
No. 317 Broadway, corner Thomas-st.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.,

THE FLORIDA PORTS,
AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.

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CENTRAL RAILROAD OF GEORGIA AND ATLANTIC AND GULF RAILROAD.
TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS.

THE STEAM-SHIPS

RUNTSVILLE, Capt. CROWELL, SATURDAY, Jan. 18, from Pier No. 13 North River, at 3 P. M.
R. LOWDEN, Agent,
No. 93 West-st.

SAN SALVADOR, Capt. NICKERSON, SATURDAY, Jan. 18, from Pier No. 8 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

LEO, Capt. DEARBORN, TUESDAY, Jan. 21, from Pier No. 16 East River, at 3 P. M.
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents,
No. 65 South-st.

GENERAL BARNES, Capt. MALLORY, THURSDAY, Jan. 23, from Pier No. 8 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

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Through rates and bills of lading in connection with Central Railroad of Georgia, to all points.

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UNITED STATES MAIL LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE TO

JAMAICA, VENEZUELA, WEST INDIES, AND SPANISH MAIN.

The Company's first-class iron steamers will be dispatched (unless prevented by unforeseen circumstances) with the mails in January, as follows, loading at Pier No. 12 North River:

The ST. THOMAS, Capt. DRAKEFORD, on the 19th, at 2 P. M., for Port-au-Prince, Curacoa, Puerto Cabello, and Laguayra.

For freight or passage apply to

PIM, FORWOOD & CO., No. 86 Wall-st.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.

UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 26th of every month.

MERRIMACK, Capt. WEIR.....Jan. 23, 73
ERIE, Capt. TINKHAM.....Feb. 26
ONTARIO, Capt. SLOCUM.....March 23

These splendid steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage apply to

WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
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UNITED STATES AND ROYAL MAILS

FOR HAVANA AND NASSAU, N. P.

Atlantic Mail Steam-ship Company, sailing every fortnight, on THURSDAY, at 3 o'clock P. M. precisely, from Pier No. 43 North River.

MORRO CASTLE, Capt. T. H. MORTON. Thur. Jan. 9
COLUMBIA, Capt. T. S. CURTIS, Thursday.....Jan. 23
MORRO CASTLE, Capt. T. H. MORTON, Thurs. Feb. 6

For freight or passage apply to

A. W. DIMOCK, President,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

[Copy.]

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States, in and for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of JOHN GRIFFITH and GEORGE W. WUNDRAM, composing the copartnership of GRIFFITH & WUNDRAM, bankrupts.—No. [illegible] in Bankruptcy.—Notice of sale; This undersigned hereby gives notice of the sale, at public auction, on TUESDAY, the 28th day of January, 1873, at 11 o'clock, in the forenoon, at the boiler-shop and iron-foundery of the said bankrupts, carried on by Griffith & Wundram, above named, on the south-easterly corner of West Twenty-seventh-street and the Eleventh-avenue, in the City of New-York, of the following described property of the estate in bankruptcy of the bankrupts; all the right, title, and interest of the bankrupts under two leases of the premises lately occupied by the bankrupts; two-thirds interest of the said bankrupts in and to the United States patents for improvements in sectional steam-boiler, and one for improvement in machine for bracing T heads; two-thirds of Griffith & Wundram in one Belgian patent for improvement in sectional steam-boiler; one small steam-engine, and all the machinery, tools, and implements in the boiler-shop and iron-foundry aforesaid, used by the said bankrupts in carrying on their business of boiler-makers and foundrymen, and all the stock in trade of the said bankrupts. Catalogues may be had of the undersigned on the premises.—New-York, Jan. 13, 1873.

WM. P. ABENDROTH,
Assignee, &c., of the said Bankrupts.

IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of EDWARD W. SMITH, bankrupt.—Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said Court by Edward W. Smith, in said district, duly declared a bankrupt under the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof from all his debts, and other claims provable under said act, and that the 4th day of February, 1873, at 12 o'clock M., at the office of John Fitch, Esq., Register in Bankruptcy, No. 54 Wall-street, in the City of New-York, is assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest may attend and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted.—Dated New-York, on the 9th day of January, 1873. GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of PATRICK KEOGH, MICHAEL KEOGH, and SYLVESTER R. KEOGH, bankrupts.—Before Mr. Henry Wilder Allen, Register in Bankruptcy.—At the City of New-York, the 9th day of November, 1872.—To whom it may concern: The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as assignee of the estate of Patrick Keogh, Michael Keogh, and Sylvester R. Keogh, and of each of them, all of New-York, in the County of New-York, and state of New York, within said district, who have been adjudged bankrupt, upon the petition of their creditors, by the District Court of said district.—Dated at New-York City, the 3d day of December, 1872.

JOHN H. PLATT, Assignee.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of IGNATIUS A. WHELAN, bankrupt.—Before Mr. Henry Wilder Allen, Register in Bankruptcy.—At the City of New-York the 17th day of December, 1872.—To whom it may concern: The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as assignee of the estate of Ignatius A. Whelan, of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, within said district, who has been adjudged bankrupt upon the petition of his creditors, by the District Court of said District.—Dated at New-York City, the 3d day of December, 1872.

JOHN H. PLATT, Assignee.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of EDWARD W. SMITH, bankrupt.—To whom it may concern: The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as assignee of the estate of Edward W. Smith, of Morristown, in the County of Morris, and State of New-Jersey, within said district, who has been adjudged bankrupt upon his own petition by the District Court of said district.—Dated at New-York City the 3d day of December, 1872. JOHN H. PLATT, Assignee.

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DRY GOODS.

WET GOODS! WET GOODS! WET GOODS!

FROM AUCTION,

TABLE DAMASKS,
TABLE CLOTHS,
NAPKINS, DOYLIES,
TOWELS AND CRASHES.

All the above are from the late fire in Franklin-st., and are very slightly injured by water and smoke.

W. K. PEYTON,
NOS. 272 AND 274 BOWERY.

PERSONAL.

JOHN GEO. WIDMANN, OR WIDMANN, or his legal representatives, can hear of something to his or their advantage, by applying at No. 56 Broadway. He is supposed to have been a resident of New-York City ten or twelve years since. Information relating to him will be thankfully received from any source.

RAILROADS.

NEW-YORK, NEW-HAVEN, AND HARTFORD RAILROAD

NEW-YORK AND NEW-HAVEN DIVISION.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT,
COMMENCING NOV. 21, 1872.

Passenger Station in New-York, Grand Central Depot. Entrance on 42d-st.

TRAINS LEAVE NEW-YORK.

For New-Haven, 7:05, 8:08 (Ex.), 9:00, 11:38 A. M.; 12:22 (Ex.), 3:08 (Ex.), 3:55, 4:38, 5:39, 8:08 (Ex.), and 9:10 (Ex.) P. M.

For Bridgeport, 7:05, 8:08 (Ex.), 9:00, 11:38 A. M.; 12:22 (Ex.), 3:08 (Ex.), 3:55, 4:38, 5:39, 8:08 (Ex.), and 9:10 (Ex.) P. M.

For Milford and Stratford, 7:05, 11:38 A. M.; 3:55, 4:38, and 5:39 P. M.

For Fairfield, Southport, and Westport, 7:05, 9:00, 11:38 A. M.; 3:55, 4:38, and 5:39 P. M.

For South Norwalk, 7:05, 8:08 (Ex.), 9:00, 11:38 A. M.; 12:22 (Ex.), 3:08 (Ex.), 3:55, 4:38 (Ex.), 5:39, 6:38, 8:08 (Ex.), and 9:10 (Ex.) P. M.

For Darien, 7:05, 9:00, 11:39 A. M.; 3:55, 4:38, 5:39, and 6:38 P. M.

For Stamford, 7:05, 8:08 (Ex.), 9:00, 10:00, 11:38 A. M.; 12:22 (Ex.), 3:22, 3:08 (Ex.), 3:55, 4:38 (Ex.), 4:53, 5:39, 6:03, 6:38, 7:32, 8:08 (Ex.), stopping at New-Rochelle and Port Chester, and 9:10 (Ex.) P. M., stopping at Mount Vernon, Mamaroneck, and Rye.

For Greenwich and intermediate stations, 7:05, 9:00, 10:00, 11:38 A. M.; 3:22, 3:55, 4:53, 5:39, 6:03, 6:38, 7:32 P. M.

Sunday mail-train leaves Grand Central Depot, 42d-st., New-York, at 7:05 P. M., for Boston, via Springfield line, stopping at New-Rochelle, Port Chester, Stamford, South Norwalk, and Bridgeport, and at 9:10 P. M., for Boston via Shore Line, stopping at Mount Vernon, Mamaroneck, and Rye.

CONNECTING TRAINS.

For Boston, via Springfield, 8:08 A. M.; 3:08 and 8:08 P. M.

For Boston, via Shore Line, 12:22, 9:10 P. M.

For Hartford and Springfield, 8:08 A. M.; 12:22, 3:08, and 8:08 P. M.

For Newport, R. I., 8:08 A. M.

For Connecticut River Railroad, 8:08 A. M., 12:22 P. M. to Greenfield; 8:08 P. M. to Montreal and White Mountains.

For Hartford, Providence, and Fishkill Railroad, 8:08 A. M., 12:22 P. M.

For Shore Line Railway, at 8:08 A. M. to Norwich and Providence, 12:22, 3:08 to New-London and Norwich, and 9:10 P. M. Boston Ex.

For Connecticut Valley Railroad, 8:08 A. M. and 3:08 P. M.

For New-Haven and Northampton Railroad, 8:08 A. M., 3:08 P. M. to Northampton and Williamsburg.

For New-Haven, Middletown, and Willimantic Railroad. (Air-line,) 8:08 A. M. and 3:08 P. M.

For Housatonic Railroad, 8:08 A. M. and 3:08 P. M.

For Naugatuck Railroad, 8:08 A. M., 3:08 P. M., and 4:38 P. M. to Waterbury.

For Danbury and Norwalk Railroad, 7:05, 8:08, and 9:08 A. M.; 12:22 and 4:38 P. M.

For Shepaug Valley Railroad, via Danbury and Norwalk R. R., 8:08 A. M. and 4:38 P. M.

For New-Canaan Railroad, 8:08 A. M.; 12:22, 4:38, and 5:39 P. M.

Commodious sleeping-cars attached to 8:08 and 9:10 P. M. trains, and also to Sunday 8 all trains on either line. Drawing-room cars attached to the 8:08 A. M., 12:22, and 3:08 P. M. trains.

Passengers can procure tickets to any point reached over this road at the Grand Central Depot, corner 42d-st and 4th-av.; also at the offices of the New-York Transfer Co., (Dodds' Express,) No. 944 Broadway, and No. 1 Court-st., Brooklyn; and by leaving suitable notice can have their baggage called for and checked from residence to destination.

JOHN T. MOODY, Sup't N. Y. & N. H. Div.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

Trains leave New-York, from foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts., as follows:

Express for Harrisburg, Pittsburg, the West, and South, with Pullman palace-cars attached, 9:30 A. M., 4, 7, and 8:30 P. M. Sunday, 4, 7, 8:30 P. M.

For Baltimore, Washington, and the South, 9 A. M., 1, 9 P. M.; Sunday, 9 P. M.

Express for Philadelphia, 3, 9, 9:30 A. M., 12:30, 1, 4, 5, 6, 8:30, 9 P. M., and 12 night; Sunday, 4, 8:30, and 9 P. M.

For Philadelphia, via Camden, at 7 A. M. and 2 P. M.

Emigrant and second class, 7:15 P. M.

For Newark, at 6, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8:00, 9, 10, 11, 11:40 A. M., 12, 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:20, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:10, 5:20, 5:30, 5:50, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8:10, 10, 11:30, 12 P. M.; Sunday, 5:20, 6, 8:10 P. M.

For Elizabeth, 6, 6:30, 7, 7:40, 8:10, 9, 10, 11, 11:40 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:20, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:30, 5:50, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7:30, 8:10, 10, 11:30, 12 P. M.; Sunday, 5:20, 6, and 8:10 P. M.

For Rahway, 6, 6:30, 7, 8:10, and 10 A. M., 12 noon, 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:20, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:30, 5:50, 6, 6:30, 7:30, 8:10, 10 P. M., and 12 night; Sunday, 5:20, 6 P. M.

For New-Brunswick, 7, 8, 9, 9:30, 10 A. M., 12 M., 12:30, 1, 2, 3, 4, 4:10, 5, 5:20, 6, 8:30, 9 P. M., and 12 night; Sunday, 5, 6, 8:30, 9 P. M.

For East Millstone, 7 A. M., 12 noon, 4:10, and 5:20 P. M.

For Lambertville and Flemington, 9 A. M. and 2 P. M.

For Phillipsburg and Belvidere, 2 and 4 P. M.

Accommodation for Bordentown, Burlington, and Camden, 7 and 9:30 A. M., 12:30, 2, 3, 4, and 6 P. M.

For Freehold, 7, 8, 9:30, 2, and 4 P. M.

For Jamesburg, Pemberton, Camden, 6 A. M., 3:40 P. M.

Trains arrive as follows: From Pittsburg, 6:50 A. M., and 2 P. M., daily, 10:10 A. M., and 6:34 P. M., daily, except Monday. From Washington and Baltimore, 6:40 A. M., 4:54, 10:12 P. M.; Sunday, 6:40 A. M., 10:12 P. M. From Philadelphia, 5:21, 6:10, 10:14, 11:04, 11:54 A. M., 2:14, 3:54, 6:04, 8:43 P. M.; Sunday, 5:21, 6:10, 11:04 A. M.

Ticket-offices, Nos. 526, 435, 271, and 944 Broadway; No. 1 Astor House, and foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts. Emigrant Ticket-office, No. 2 Battery-place.

D. M. BOYD, Jr., General Passenger Agent.

A. J. CASSATT, General Manager.

NEW-YORK MIDLAND RAILWAY.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT, taking effect Dec. 2, 1872.

Trains leave foot Cortlandt and Desbrosses sts. as follows:

For New-Durham and Maywood—7, 9:10, 10:40 A. M.; 1, 4:30, 5:30, 6:20, and 11:30 P. M.

For Hackensack, Paterson, Hawthorne, Midland Park, and Wortendyke—7, 9:10, 10:50 A. M.; 1, 3:30, 4:30, 6:20, 11:30 P. M.

For Ridgefield Park, Bogota, Rochelle, Dundee Lake, Marion Street, and Riverside—7, 10:50 A. M.; 1, 4:30, 5:30, 6:20, 11:30 P. M.

For Wyckoff, Pompton, and Montclair Junction—7, 9:10, 10:50 A. M.; 3:30, 4:30, 5:30 P. M.

For Hampton, Oakland, Campgrounds, and West Bloomingdale—7, 9:10, 10:50 A. M.; 4:30, 5:30 P. M.

For Smith Mills, Char ottesburg, Stockholm, Snufftown, Ogdensburg, and Quarryville—7, 9:10 A. M.; 4:30 P. M.

For New-Foundland, Franklin, Hamburg, Deckertown, Unionville, West Town, Johnson, State Hill, Middletown, and Bloomingburg—7, 9:10 A. M.; 3:30, 4:30 P. M.

For Pine Bush, Hunnsboro, Fallsburg, Monticello, Liberty Falls, and Ellenville—9:10 A. M.; 3:30 P. M.

Returning, leave Liberty Falls at 6:55 A. M.; 1:25 P. M.; Ellenville, 7:42 A. M., 2:15 P. M.; Middletown, 8:55 A. M., 3:37, 5:45 P. M.; West Bloomingdale, 7, 8:20 A. M., 2, 6:04 P. M.; Worteendyke, 6:26, 7:37, 9, 11:23 A. M., 2:27, 4:05, 6:58, 9:10 P. M.; Paterson, 5:43, 6:47, 7:55, 9:19, 11:38 A. M., 3:57, 4:24, 7:41, 11:12 P. M.

Arriving in New-York at 6:55, 8, 9:10, 10:30 A. M.; 12:50, 4:10, 5:40, 8:35 P. M., and 12:50 A. M.

JOHN C. HOOPER, Superintendent.

Trains leave New-York, foot Cortlandt and Desbrosses sts., for Montclair, Pompton, and intermediate stations, 9:10 A. M., 4:30 P. M. For Montclair and intermediate stations, 3:30 P. M. Arrive, 8 and 9:10 A. M., 4:10 P. M.

‡ Does not run beyond Middletown.
* Does not run beyond Hawthorne.
† Does not run beyond Bloomingburg.

WM. H. WREN, General Ticket Agent.

NEW-YORK CENTRAL & HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.

Commencing on Monday, Nov. 4, 1872. Through Trains will leave Grand Central Depot.

6.00 A. M., Chicago and Montreal Express, with drawing-room cars through to Rochester and St. Albans.

10.30 A. M., Special Chicago Express, with drawing-room cars to Buffalo and Niagara Falls.

10.45 A. M., Northern and Western Express.

3.40 P. M., Special Express for Albany and Troy.

4.00 P. M., Montreal Express, with sleeping-cars from New-York to St. Albans.

6.00 P. M., Express, daily with sleeping-cars for Watertown and Canandaigua.

8.00 P. M., Pacific Express, with sleeping-cars for Rochester, Buffalo, and Niagara Falls; also, for Chicago via both L. S. and M. C. Railroads. This train runs on Sundays.

11.00 P. M., Express, with sleeping-cars for Troy and Albany.

C. H. KENDRICK, General Passenger Agent.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD COMPANY.

On and after MONDAY, Jan. 13, trains will leave James slip as follows: (Leave 34th-st., East River, fifteen minutes later.)

6:30 A. M.—Greenport & Mail.
10:30 A. M.—Port Jefferson, Northport, and Locust Valley trains.
12:30 P. M.—Jamaica Accommodation.
3 P. M.—Riverhead and Sag Harbor Express trains. (Through to Greenport on Saturdays.)
4 P. M.—Port Jefferson, Northport, and Locust Valley Express trains.
5 P. M.—Hempstead Express.
6 P. M.—Northport and Rockaway trains.
All trains connect at Jamaica with East New-York, and at Mineola with Hempstead.

STEAMBOATS.

NEW WINTER LINE BY STEAMBOATS AND RAILROAD.

To HARTFORD, MIDDLETOWN, and all the towns along the CONNECTICUT VALLEY, connecting at Saybrook, with the new Valley Railroad. The steamers consist of the STATE OF NEW-YORK, CITY OF HARTFORD, and GRANITE STATE, leaving the foot of Pier No. 24 East River, (Peck slip,) daily (Sundays excepted,) at 3 o'clock P. M.

The cars of the Valley road run alongside of the boats at the wharf.

Passengers are not subjected to the annoyance and danger of getting to and from 42d-st., nor to expensive hack-hire, or a LONG WALK, to reach the cars at Saybrook.

The boats and cars on this route are first-class. PASSENGERS and FREIGHT taken as low AS BY ANY OTHER LINE WHATSOEVER.

WM. H. GOODSELL, Vice-President.

SAXTON & SEABURY, Freight Agents, 112 South-st.

FALL RIVER LINE FOR BOSTON, VIA NEWPORT.—The steamers EMPIRE STATE and OLD COLONY, from Pier No. 28 North River, foot of Murray-street, daily (Sundays excepted) at 4 P. M. Tickets sold to principal points in New-England, the White Mountains, and Provinces.

A. P. BACON, Superintendent.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD, &c.—Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:15. Trains from pier connect at 4 P. M.

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CREDIT MOBILIER.

The Poland Committee — Testimony of Messrs. Patterson, Wilson, Scofield, Kelley, and Bingham.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—Judge Poland's Special Committee to investigate the Credit Mobilier charges resumed its session this morning, and Hon. Glenni W. Scofield, of Pennsylvania, whose name has been mentioned in connection with the charges, appeared before the Committee voluntarily, and made the following statement under oath:

MR. SCOFIELD'S STATEMENT.

For many years I have been in the habit of investing in bonds or stocks whatever surplus, however small, I might have from year to year. In December, 1866, I bought of Mr. Ames some bonds of the Cedar Rapids and Missouri Railroad. In December, 1867, I spoke to him about getting more. He suggested that I should take this Credit Mobilier stock. He explained that it was a contracting company, incorporated by the Legislature of my State, and he would like to have some Pennsylvanians in it. In a brief way he explained its object. He said he would sell me some at par, and interest from some former period at my own rank, or he would guarantee that it would pay eight per cent if I would give him half it earned upon that sum. I told him I thought I would take $1,000 of it. I told him I would get the money and see him again. Before anything was done, however, I was called home by severe illness in my family and did not return until some days after New Year's. Some time after, when I met Mr. Ames and spoke about getting him the money, he said he though I was too late, as I did not give him the money; he supposed I had abandoned it, and he thought it was all sold, but I could give him the money and then he would ascertain and get it if he could. I gave him the money, and took his receipt. This was the last of January. He subsequently informed me that he could get the stock, but it was in a larger block, and he would have to get it divided. Either at this time or soon after I told him I had concluded not to take the stock. We talked the matter over, and I finally agreed to take some of his railroad securities instead. Some balance was settled in money, and I gave him my receipt. This was during that same session of Congress, nearly four years ago. I do not recollect of any legislation pending or in prospect at that time that Mr. Ames was interested in. I was not in Congress when the subsidies to the Pacific Roads were granted, and I voted against the act of Congress of 1864 giving the Companies' mortgage priority. The legislation that came up two or three years after was based upon facts subsequently developed, and could not, therefore, have been anticipated by me. Nothing was said about legislation, and certainly it was not thought of by me.

In answer to questions of Judge Poland, he testified that he thought the matter was settled early in February, 1868; thought no dividends were declared by the Company during the time; did not receive any dividends; if there were any he was allowed in the final settlement; witness had no idea that the stock then was worth two or three times its par value; the conversation between witness and Mr. Ames was occidental; it began on the streets while walking down from the Capitol, and was continued in the car and at the hotel he boarded.

By Judge Merrick—Mr. Ames explained how the Credit Mobilier was managed, and its object.

By Mr. McCrary—Did not remember of any legislation in Congress in reference to the road while he held the stock; if there had been it would not have influenced his vote.

By Mr. Niblack—Mr. Ames said in the course of conversation that he would like to have some Pennsylvania men in the enterprise, as it was incorporated by that State.

STATEMENT OF MR. PATTERSON.

Senator Patterson, of New-Hampshire, was then sworn, and made the following statement:

GENTLEMEN OF THE COMMITTEE: I have had no connection with the Union Pacific Railroad or with Mr. Ames, which, in my judgment, calls for investigation, or which any respectable business man would think of criticising. Still, I am glad to respond to your invitation to be present this morning, and, with your permission, will give you a brief but complete statement of all there is in this matter so far as I am concerned. I entered Congress after all the land grants and subsidies to the Union Pacific Railroad had been made; the only legislation which has arisen since in respect to it, the wisdom and policy of which any one questions, so far as I know, is the act of 1864, which passed during my first session in Congress; I was not as well informed in respect to the merits of this great work as I am now, but I have never regretted the vote I gave at that time; I then had but a slight acquaintance with Mr. Ames, having never seen him before I entered Congress; at a later period we were thrown together, and brought into the relations of a somewhat intimate friendship. Near the close of 1867, when no man could have anticipated any further legislation upon this subject, and since when, if we except the transfer of the office of the Company to Boston, there has been none, unless giving a construction to a previous act on a question raised unexpectedly by the Secretary of the Treasury may be so considered. Mr. Ames came over to the Senate and proposed to sell me thirty shares of stock in the Credit Mobilier. He represented at the time that he did this as a friend looking to my interest. I asked him to explain to me what the Credit Mobilier was, and he did so. I then asked him if it was proper stock for a member of Congress to hold. He said he thought it was, as he did not expect to ask for any more legislation; and to give strength to his view he mentioned several distinguished gentleman of acknowledged integrity who had either taken or proposed to take stock in the Company. I then inquired if he thought it would be a profitable investment. He replied that he did, or that he should not have offered its to a friend. I said I should be glad to take some of the stock, but could not, as I had no money. "When you get some money which you wish to invest," said Mr. Ames, "come to me and you shall have the stock." At that time I proposed to take the stock, and doubtless Mr. Ames expected I should, but I never found it convenient to take it before I concluded it was not best to take, and so the purchase was not consummated, and I never received directly or indirectly, nor did any one ever hold for me in trust one penny's worth of stock of the Credit Mobilier. I have been thus explicit, because I have been misrepresented in respect to this thing, and not because I see any breach of propriety or personal integrity in a Congressman's purchasing or holding this more than paper, wool, legal tenders, bonds, bank notes, gold, bank stocks, or other species of property liable to be affected by legislation, but upon which legislation was not anticipated at the time of the purchase. On two occasions subsequently I purchased of Mr. Ames stock and bonds in the Union Pacific Railroad, which were placed in the hands of a friend in New-York for sale. My friend sold them at a fair profit. For this stock and bonds I paid the full market price in money earned by myself. These transactions were bona-fide purchases, and not exchanges of stock or distribution of dividends. It was a small investment, but reasonably profitable, and I regret it was not larger, as it was both honest and honorable, and I doubt if there is any member of Congress who would deny the right of the purchase of such a purchase today. This is the whole of my connection with Mr. Ames or with the Union Pacific Railroad. I have never purchased or received any property of any kind which had any connection, direct or indirect, with my vote or political influence.

In answer to questions of Judge Poland, Mr. Patterson testified that his first purchase was in 1869 and the other in 1871.

SENATOR WILSON'S STATEMENT.

Hon. Henry Wilson was then sworn, and testified that his wife had been presented with $3,000 on the anniversary of their "silver wedding," a portion of which was invested in Credit Mobilier bonds, which were purchased for her benefit at the suggestion of Mr. Oakes Ames; witness knew nothing of the organization; Ames said he would guarantee it to pay ten per cent., and advised witness to take it; witness asked Mr. Ames at the time if it was not likely that the road would be coming to Congress for legislation, as he had made it a rule never to have a dollar's worth of stock in any road wanting legislation. Mr. Ames replied that the road wanted no legislation and expected none. Witness told Mr. Ames that if the road ever should apply for legislation he would want his money back and give the bonds up. Subsequently witness learned that there were some difficulties about the concern, and he spoke to Mr. Ames. Ames, Ames and others about it, saying that he wanted to get out of it. Mr. Ames laughed at the anxiety of the witness to get out, but said he would return him the money and cancel the bargain; witness never received a dollar dividend, but bought out of the bargain, and it $10,000 from it were due him he would not touch a cent of it; his wife got her money back, and witness never received any benefits from it; the only speculation he had ever entered into since coming to Congress was in a little lot of land in his native State, and he would sell all he had today, excisive of his house, for $3,500; he had done nothing he did not feel he had a right to do, and he felt outraged at this attack made upon him; he thought a great wrong had been perpetrated.

TESTIMONY OF JUDGE KELLEY.

Hon. William D. Kelley testified that he agreed with Mr. Ames to take some Credit Mobilier stock as an investment only, but the matter was dropped and he never received any dividends or profits from the Credit Mobilier; had never received any Credit Mobilier stock; had borrowed money from Mr. Ames on one or two occasions, but had not had an offer from Mr. Ames of Credit Mobilier stock to influence legislation; if witness had been able to purchase the stock he would have done so; he saw no more impropriety in a member of Congress buying that stock than in buying a flock of sheep and then voting upon the tariff on wool or woolen goods; he borrowed $1,000 from Mr. Ames at one time, but there was nothing in connection with that which referred to the Credit Mobilier.

MR. BINGHAM'S TESTIMONY.

Hon. John A. Bingham, of Ohio, was then sworn, and testified that he placed great confidence in the financial judgment of Mr. Ames, and upon his advice invested $2,000 in the Hubbard Silver Mining Company, a corporation organized under the laws of Massachusetts, but which had no connection with the Credit Mobilier or Union Pacific Railroad; in December, 1867, he was advised by Mr. Ames to invest in the Credit Mobilier, and did invest $2,000, giving Mr. Ames the money in February, 1868, for which Mr. Ames then gave him a written agreement to account to him for the dividends and proceeds of twenty shares of Credit Mobilier stock. Subsequently witness agreed to take $1,000 of stock in the Iowa Falls and Sioux City Construction Company, paying Mr. Ames $636, for which Mr. Ames gave an agreement similar to the one mentioned. Witness never received nor held any stock in the Credit Mobilier, Iowa Construction Company, or Union Pacific Railroad from Mr. Ames nor any one else. Mr. Ames was the only person he knew in the contracts, and he had perfect faith in him, and witness believes he had a lawful right to make these investments. In 1868, witness received from Mr. Ames two Pacific Railroad bonds, each for $1,000, in pursuance of the agreement; all subsequent dividends were in money or Union Pacific stock; the Credit Mobilier contract was closed in December, 1870, as the witness then wanted the money, and he received from Mr. Ames $1,650, since which time he has had no interest, direct or indirect, in the Credit Mobilier or the Union Pacific Railroad. The bonds which he received from Mr. Ames as dividends he sold in 1869 at 82½ cents on the dollar. The Iowa Construction contract was settled in the Spring of 1872, and witness received $900 thereon, since which time he has had no further transactions with Mr. Ames. The aggregate amount received by him on the two contracts was about $6,500, from the beginning to the end of his dealings with Mr. Ames; he had no intimation that any other member of Congress had any contracts or dealings with him in relation to Credit Mobilier or Union Pacific Railroad stocks, except Mr. Hooper, of Massachusetts; never heard of any controversy between Ames and McComb, or any other person, in regard to the distribution of Credit Mobilier stocks, and the first he heard of Mr. Ames dealing in that stock corruptly was in September and October last; never had any idea that Mr. Ames contracted with him for corrupt purposes, and he never gave a vote for or against any measure in Congress but what he believed to be just and right, and in accordance with his sworn duty; he had done nothing which he believed required an apology or explanation; he was not a member of Congress when the act of 1864 relating to the Union Pacific Railroad passed, and he left Congress now, after sixteen years' service, with no more property than when he entered it, save what he had legitimately earned during the Thirty-eighth Congress, when he was not a member.

At 4 o'clock the Committee adjourned until 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

The Wilson Committee.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—The Wilson Credit Mobilier Investigating Committee met this morning at 11 o'clock. The examination of T. C. Durant was resumed. He said the Boomer contract was $27,500 per mile of railroad; the Union Pacific Board of Directors passed a resolution extending the Hoxie contract over these fifty-eight miles at $50,000 a mile; this resolution was not carried into effect, the witness having protested, and Judge Barnard having granted an injunction; the Board afterward expunged his protest from the books, and rescinded the resolution; if the resolution been carried into effect, the difference between $27,500 and $50,000 would have gone into the Credit Mobilier. These fifty-eight miles had been completed, were in running order, and had been accepted by the Government.

Witness was examined as to the Williams proposed contract, which was accepted by the Board of Directors of the Union Pacific Company March, 1867, for building two hundred and sixty-seven miles of railroad. Witness also sued out an injunction in this case, as the contract covered a part of the road already constructed under previous contracts.

After the witness had been examined specifically he was examined generally. He was asked by the Chairman what percentage of the Union Pacific Railroad stock did the Credit Mobilier stockholders own at the time the Oakes Ames contract was entered into. Witness answered seventy-five, perhaps eighty-five per cent. Having been asked why the Credit Mobilier itself could not build the road instead of assigning the contract to trustees for that purpose, witness replied that the trustees were acting in the interest of all the holders of the Union Pacific Railroad stock, some of whom had no stock in the Credit Mobilier. The object of forming the contract to trustees was also to secure individual liability in case of failure. Whenever the trustees of the Credit Mobilier wanted to buy they made offers to the Railroad Company for a certain amount of railroad bonds, naming the price for them.

The witness said that early in January, 1868, the trustees of the Ames contract had entire control of the Union Pacific Railroad. It was shown by the books that the aggregate amount spent on the Ames and Davis contracts was about $65,000,000, and the dividends $11,690,000, or twenty per cent. on the $55,000,000, or 31½ per cent. on the stock of the Credit Mobilier, and if the estimates are made on the securities as being at par, 545 per cent.

Witness was asked whether he knew of any of the money of the Union Pacific Railroad or Credit Mobilier having been used directly or indirectly for the purpose of influencing or procuring the election of any person to the Senate of the United States. Witness said he did not, nor did he know of any person connected with either of these corporations who used money for such purposes; he had, however, furnished money himself in a good many cases for political purposes generally, not specially to influence the election of any Senator. He gave two checks of $5,000 each to Mr. Harlan, payable to that gentleman's order. Mr. Harlan had said to him, "Are you not going to help us?" when witness said, "When you are very hard up, I will do what I can." The money was sent to Harlan, the witness supposing Harlan knew how to appropriate it. He did not know whether Harlan was at that time Secretary of the Interior or not, and did not know whether he was at that time a candidate for the United States Senate or not.

The Chairman—Did you not understand that the money was to aid in the election of Mr. Harlan?

Answer—I had no such understanding, but was in hopes that Harlan would be elected.

Without concluding the examination, the Committee adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

THE DEPUTY CHAMBERLAIN.

Argument on the Injunction Application —Removal of an Official.

Argument was had yesterday, before Chief-Justice Barbour, in the Special Term of the Superior Court, on the application of Francis A. Palmer, the City Chamberlain, to perpetually restrain John Foley from exercising the duties of Deputy Chamberlain under an appointment from Controller Green. Argument was made by Mr. Abraham R. Lawrence, on behalf of the Chamberlain, and by Mr. John H. Strahan and Mr. Townsend on behalf of Mr. Foley. The complaint and answer used on the motion were the same used on the former motion on behalf of the Deputy Chamberlain, and already published. The points made by the respective counsel, also, were almost identical with those presented on the former argument. At the opening of the Court, ex-Judge Edmonds, on behalf of Mr. Palmer, asked for an adjournment in order to prepare affidavits embodying new matter in relation to Mr. Foley having, in a somewhat riotous manner, attempted to take possession of the office and exercise its functions, subsequent to the Judge's decision in the former case. Also, that the Controller had directed the removal of the bookkeeper.

Chief-Justice Barbour held that the matters proposed to be submitted to the Court by additional affidavits, were immaterial to the case, and directed the argument to proceed, the only question, he added, being whether the Chamberlain has such actual pecuniary interest as entitled him to maintain this action, and that such pecuniary interests are endangered by the acts of the defendant. Mr. Lawrence reiterated substantially his argument made on the former motion, contending that the charter of 1870 did not interfere with the act of 1866; that if the Legislature had intended the act of 1870 should interfere with the act of 1866, it would have been distinctly so stated, and not left to be interred by implication.

Mr. Strahan, on behalf of Mr. Foley, contended that the Deputy Chamberlain was a City officer, and that whatever functions he exercised or duties he performed, was as a City officer; that the entire executive power of the City and all its Departments, is derived from the charter of 1870, and at the head of these Departments stands the Finance; that as such City officer, the appointment of the Deputy Chamberlain was clearly within the power of the Controller, and the Court could not interfere by way of injunction to restrain such officer in the performance of his duties; that Foley is an officer of the Finance Department, and as such is properly appointed, and has the right to perform the duties of Deputy Chamberlain when called upon to do so.

The further argument was postponed until 11 o'clock A. M. today, when Judge Edmonds will be heard on behalf of Chamberlain Palmer.

The business in the Chamberlain's office was not interrupted by any attempt on the part of Mr. Foley to interfere with the duties, or to make any claim to act in the capacity of Deputy Chamberlain. Mr. F. A. Palmer, the Chamberlain, was present in person, while Mr. Walter B. Palmer was engaged in the Superior Court; and when that Court adjourned, the latter gentleman returned to the office and performed the duties of Deputy Chamberlain without molestation. The Controller sent a letter yesterday to William B. Rockwell, City and County Bookkeeper, in the Chamberlain's Bureau, giving him notice that he was removed from that office; but the Chamberlain, not recognizing the Controller's right to remove the subordinates in that bureau, retained Mr. Rockwell in his position as such book-keeper. As no person had been appointed to fill the position, the question of right to office did not come up yesterday. It appears that Mr. Rockwell was removed by the Controller on the recommendation of Mr. Foley, on the ground that he did not recognize Mr. Foley as Deputy Chamberlain, and had interfered with him when attempting to discharge the duties of the office to which he had been appointed by the Controller.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRES.

Jones' Great Dry-Goods Store Partially Destroyed—Loss, $135,000—Fire in Duane-Street.

For thirty years past Mr. Owen Jones has carried on a dry-goods business in Eighth-avenue, near Nineteenth-street. He occupied four three-story brick buildings, Nos. 167, 169, 171 Eighth-avenue, and No. 304 West Nineteenth-street, the latter house forming an L with the main building. Mr. Jones' business has grown rapidly during the last few years, and he has during the past year given employment to sixty-five clerks and porters. The main portion of the store is No. 169 Eighth-avenue, on the third floor of which reside two of Mr. Jones' principal clerks and their families. Last evening Mr. Jones' establishment was almost wholly destroyed by fire. Shortly after 6 o'clock a number of clerks were in the basement of No. 169 Eighth-avenue, unpacking goods from cases. It is supposed that one of them, coming from the water-closet, threw a match among some cotton batting, which smoldered, and then took fire. The alarm was at once given, and Mr. Jones and the greater number of his employes endeavored to extinguish the flames. The fire unfortunately was between them and the water-hydrant, and they could not check the progress of the flames, which spread with great rapidity, and which, by the time of the arrival of the firemen, who were on the ground soon after the alarm, had gained almost a complete mastery over that portion of the building. This department of the store contained the most valuable portion of the stock, the laces, shawls, fine linen, and silks, being shelved there.

Chief Engineer Perley, on examining with Fire Commissioners Gallway, Blair, Hennessy, and Shaler, and District Engineers Brandon, Bates, Erlacher, and others, at 6:24 o'clock sent out a second alarm, and called on the reserve force of the Fire Department. Vast crowds assembled on Eighth-avenue, and the fire lines were kept by the police by Capt. Saunders, of the Sixteenth Precinct, who, in addition to his own command, had on the ground reserve sections of police from the Twenty-ninth, Ninth, and adjoining precincts, under Capts. Burden and Washburne. On the arrival of the reserve force, the efforts of the firemen were directed not only to the extinguishing of the fire, but the preventing of its possible spread to the surrounding buildings. In the meantime the men had not been idle, and one-half of the store was to a certain extent saved. But the inflammable and airy fabrics with which the building was stored operated heavily against the firemen and retarded their skill taking effect. As each pile of lace or muslin caught the flames, the fire brightened into a fierce glow and cautering fresh intensity. So serious did the situation at length become that Chief Engineer Perley despaired of saving the entire establishment. Still the firemen bravely kept to work. The walls of the Twenty-fourth-street house, at about 7:50 o'clock, and a portion of the front wall on Eighth-avenue, falling shortly after, deadened and smothered the fire, and made its conquest easy. Additional streams of water were thrown from adjacent buildings, the fire was attacked as from every available point, and with success. At forty-eight minutes past 8 o'clock the firemen took up their hose, having saved one half of the store and preserved the surrounding buildings. In the portion of the building completely destroyed, the house in Nineteenth-street and No. 171 Eighth-avenue, the loss was exceedingly heavy. The stock in the remaining portion of the establishment was badly damaged by smoke and water. Mr. Jones' stock was valued at $220,000. His loss will reach $135,000. He is insured for $90,000 in various city and European companies. Nos. 167 and 169 Eighth-avenue are owned by Mrs. Hobart estate, and are damaged $4,000. No. 171 Eighth-avenue and No. 304 West Nineteenth-street are owned by Mr. Jones, and are damaged $7,000. Large crowds remained around the scene of the fire last night, and scores of thieves drifted to the locality in search of plunder, to be thwarted in their designs by the numerous Policemen and Insurance Patrolmen on duty around the building.

Fire in Duane-Street—Loss, $7,000.

The firemen had hardly reached their engine-houses from the great fire in Eighth-avenue, when another alarm rang out of a fire in Duane-street. At 9:35 o'clock fire was discovered on the third floor of No. 78 Duane-street, a five-story building, occupied by T. Simon, maker of ladies' under-garments; loss on stock, $4,000. The Sanborne Manufacturing Company, occupying the second, fourth, and fifth floors, lost $2,000 on stock. The building, owned by R. Hooley, of New Jersey, was damaged $1,000; total loss, $7,000. Two minutes after leaving the building a few seconds before the discovery of the fire, which is supposed to be of incendiary origin.

Another Escape from State Prison.

Last night advices were received by the Police of this City from Sing Sing announcing the escape of another batch of prisoners from the State Prison, where, it would seem, the detention of prisoners until the expiration of their sentences has become a matter of impossability. At 2 o'clock P. M. yesterday the escape was made. The lucky criminals are Daniel A. Bank, twenty years old, five feet ten inches high, florid complexion, blue eyes, light-brown hair, scar over left eye, the figures 53 in India-ink on right forearm, figures 120 inside of left forearm; former residence No. 410 West Twentieth-street, New-York City; convicted Jan. 12, 1871, and sentenced to nine years' imprisonment for burglary. John Martin, five feet six inches high, brown hair, blue eyes, scar on left side of lower jaw; convicted of burglary in General Sessions in this City June 9, 1870, and sentenced to five years' imprisonment; resided at that time in Forty-sixth-street, near Avenue A. Andrew Reilly, five feet seven and three-quarter inches high, black hair, blue eyes, twenty-six years old, English; resided at Twenty-eighth-street and Tenth-avenue; convicted in General Sessions on April 5, 1871, of grand larceny, and sentenced to five years' imprisonment. The City will doubtless hear from these hungry thieves in a few days. In the mean time Mr. George B. Hubbell, the Warden, has not telegraphed how they escaped.

The Second-Avenue Railroad Extension.

The Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court to appraise and determine the compensation, if any, to be paid to the City by the Second-avenue Railroad Company for the privilege of laying four branch tracks, have completed their labors and will present their report to a meeting of the counsel for the City and the Company, at the office of the latter, No. 40 Wall-street, today. The tracks in question include a branch running from the depot, at Second-avenue and Sixty-second-street, to a ferry at the foot of Eighty-sixth-street, East River; one from Broadway, through Astor-place and Stuyvesant-street, to the main track on Second-avenue; an additional track on Second-avenue, between the depot and Twenty-third-street, and a short track from Chatham-street to Worth, along Pearl-street.

The Commissioners have decided that, while the City is entitled to compensation, yet as the new tracks will be only branches of the road, the amount to be paid should be moderate. The report is a voluminous document, elaborating on the right of the City to receive and the obligation of the Company to pay, with a minute discrimination between the price of the privileges of an entire road and of branches subsequently added.

Personal.

H. W. Dennison, United States Consul at Yokohama, Japan; Col. E. L. Jewell, of New-Orleans, and Lieut. F. A. Clark, of the United States Coast Survey, are at the Grand Central Hotel.

Indian Commissioner John V. Farwell, of Chicago; Col. W. H. Hicks, of Texas; C. C. Washburne, of Wisconsin, and C. S. Bushnell, of New-Haven, are at the Fifth-avenue Hotel.

Gen. Fitz Henry Warren, of Iowa, and Edgar T. Welles, of Hartford, are at the Hoffman House.

Col. F. B. Loomis, of Connecticut; Hon. A. Murdock, of Mississippi; Judges L. Burke and R. C. Parsons, of Cleveland, and Rev. J. Latka, of Minnesota, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

Capt. William Brown, of the steamer Granite State; Capt. J. Pratt, of the ship Hudson, and Julius Wood, manager of the Norwich and Worcester line of steamers, are at the Astor House.

Fires in Brooklyn Yesterday.

Early yesterday morning fire was discovered in the three-story frame building at the foot of North Twelfth-street, E. D., occupied by Plum & Co. as a vinegar factory. The building was totally consumed before the fire-engines could be brought into service. The total loss is estimated at about $6,000; no insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Later in the day the tenement-house No. 288 Throop-avenue was damaged by fire on the third floor to the extent of about $900; insured.

BUILDING INSPECTION.

The Examination of Hotels and School-Houses Continued—Momentous Facts for Lodgers and Parents.

The inspectors of the buildings devoted yesterday to a survey of some of the less fashionable hotels in the lower portion of the City, visiting the Grast, Atlantic, Oatman, Heald, and New-England Hotels, during the day. Each of these places was found unprovided with means of escape, extinguishment, detection, or alarm, and when admonished to provide balconies and ladders, the proprietors, in some instances, urged that the fire-escapes would be used by some of their guests as a means of leaving the house quietly without paying their board; but it was explained that a proper lookout by the watchman would prevent such occurrences, and by placing the ladders against the front wall, an attempt at escape would seldom prove successful, and the interests of the proprietor would be amply protected.

The Grant House, No. 48 New-Bowery, seven stories high, has but one staircase throughout; narrow passages, no escapes, detectors, or alarms, and no means of escape except to the roof of the adjoining buildings, which are, of course, unavailable for many of the lodgers. Balconies and ladders were ordered for the front, detectors and alarms in the halls, and a ladder to connect the roof with the tops of the adjoining buildings.

The New-England Hotel, corner of Bowery and Bayard-street, was found in an equally reprehensible condition. The stairways are unconnected and tortuous, the passages narrow, and the peculiar construction of the house such as to render escape, under any circumstances, extremely doubtful. The same provision for fire was ordered as in the previous case.

The Oatman House, No. 31 Bowery, is six stories high, and, except an iron balcony on the first floor front, is unprovided with means of escape. The stairway is the only egress, and the adjoining roof would afford no escape to the inmates of the lower floors or those in the top of the house. Balconies and ladders were ordered for the exterior, and detectors and alarms throughout.

The Herald Hotel was in about the same condition, if not worse than the others, and the same precautions were ordered.

THE SCHOOL-HOUSES.

The attendance at the public schools has considerably lessened since the agitation concerning the safety of the buildings, and the latter have been inspected by numbers of parents desirous of judging for themselves.

The following reports were received from the Inspectors of the Building Department yesterday:

Ward School No. 8, located at No. 66 Grand-street—Foundation and upper walls in good condition. Heated by steam from two boilers outside of building; the steam is distributed throughout the buildings in pipes generally free from wood. Ventilation fines good, with the exception of centre class-rooms in front, which are poor. The rear rooms are dark; the wall opposite should be whitened. Means of egress—One wooden stairway in front, of sufficient width; two stone stairways in rear, inclosed with brick walls, always available; wooden stairway on each side, extending from primary department to yard; three-feet wide classroom doors all open inwardly, except those leading to stairways. Average daily attendance 800. Building in other respects generally in good condition. Recommended that openings be placed in partitions separating the centre front class-room from main hallway; also, the stairs be built from rear class-rooms to the wings to the yard, those now in use being dark and crooked, and that the class-room doors are arranged to open outside or both ways.

Ward School No. 44, located at corner North Moore and Varick streets—Foundation and upper walls in fair condition. Heated by two boilers. Steam is distributed by Parrar's steam heaters, the pipes of which are mostly clear of wood-work. The beams extend into the brick work around the boiler in West Broadway extension, which we consider dangerous. Ventilation fines fair. Water-closets in the interior of building very offensive and badly ventilated. Means of exress—Main stairs of wood, four feet wide, extend throughout the building. A similar one on West Broadway of same dimensions. From primary department three flights extend to yard. Stairs on North Moore street extend to third story only, of wood, four feet wide. Average attendance, 1,540. Can be dismissed in ten minutes. Class-room doors all open outwardly. Recommend that the beams extending into brick work around boiler be cut off and a Headder framed to support beams, leaving a space around brick work. Also that an additional stairs be built in rear extension, increasing means of exit for the two classes on each floor occupying rooms facing on West Broadway.

Ward School No. 3, situate north-east corner of Hudson and Grove-streets—Brick building, five stories, 75 feet front on Grove-street, 150 feet on Hudson-street; in good order. Ventilation good and sufficient, excepting two class-rooms on ground floor in rear, badly lighted and ventilated, and unsuitable for the purposes used. Means of egress—One flight, Hudson-street; front stairs, 5 feet 8 inches wide, to each story, wood; one flight, wood, 3 feet 6 inches wide, from second story, primary department, girls' side; one flight, same character, boys' side; two flights, stone stairs, 3 feet 6 inches, inclosed in brick walls, to fourth floor. Building heated by radiation; two boilers, new, properly inclosed in brick, heating pipes at safe distance from wood-work; boiler recommended to by janitor, who has license from Board of Education and Police Department, and fully competent. Attendance about 2,000 pupils. Safety from fire and means of escape ample. Recommended plastering repaired, and class-room doors opening inwardly to be changed to open outwardly.

Ward School No. 38, situate at Nos. 18, 20 and 22 Clarke-street—Four-story brick, 75 feet front, 55 feet high, tin roof. First story used as play-rooms. On south side is connected by wooden bridges with a three-story frame building used as class-rooms. Ventilation—Primary department dark, ill lighted and ventilated, 750 pupils. Means of egress from frame building, with wood stairs, three feet wide to each floor. Main building, outside wood stairs, south side, three feet six inches wide, from yard to primary department. Second floor, wood stairs, same character, north side, two flights, three feet stone stairs in rear, from play-ground to girls' primary department; two flights stone stairs to girls' department, third floor, and one to boys' department, fourth floor. The stone stairs enclosed in brick walls. Heated by stoves in class-rooms, and portable furnaces in play-rooms; all properly protected. Number of pupils attending, 1,500; can be dismissed in five minutes. Doors of class-rooms all open outwardly. Principal considers means of escape from fire ample. Recommended merely repairs to plastering in play-rooms.

Colored School No. 2, Nos. 183 and 185 South Fifth-avenue—Brick building, two story and basement, tin roof. *Ventilation*—Middle class-rooms dark, badly ventilated, and those on south side totally unsuitable; water-closets insufficient and in bad condition; urinals offensive and detrimental to health. *Means of Egress*—Two flights wood stairs, three feet six inches wide, from first story to yard on north side, and from first story to third floor on north-east corner, in extremely dangerous condition, being steep and insecure; whole arrangement bad for purposes used. Heated by coal-stoves properly protected. Pupils in attendance, 230. *Recommended*—Proper ventilation, whitening the walls of adjacent houses, removal of present stairs and erection of others safe and suitable for children.

The additional buildings examined to date and found to be unprovided with fire-escapes, are, No. 199 South Fifth-avenue, Andrew Brackley, fire-escape; No. 144 Frankfort-street, Terry Rooney, fire-escape and scuttle; No. 148 Worth-street, James Crimmins, fire-escape and scuttle; Nos. 75 and 77 Barclay-street, Rheinlander estate, fire-escape and scuttle; Nos. 78, 80, and 82 Barclay-street, C. H. Leidenthall, fire-escape and scuttle; Nos. 81 and 83 Barclay-street, Rheinlander estate, fire-escape and scuttle; No. 194 Fulton-street, William Vail, fire-escape and scuttle; No. 196 Fulton-street, E. D. Phyfe, fire-escape and scuttle; Nos. 206 and 208 Fulton-street, C. A. Davidson, fire-escape and scuttle; No. 210 Fulton-street, Lees & Skean, fire-escape and scuttle; Nos. 224 and 226 Fifth-avenue, L. Apgar, scuttle and ladder; No. 62 Cortlandt-street, G. E. Anderson, fire-escape; Nos. 64 and 66 Cortlandt-street, Mr. Richards, fire-escape; Cortlandt-street, south-west corner of Greenwich, H. S. Pollock, fire-escape; No. 56 Dey-street, Abraham Lent, fire-escape; No. 58 Dey-street, Austin Hall, fire-escape; No. 180 Greenwich-street, G. A. Rosenthall, fire-escape; No. 202 Greenwich-street, North River Insurance Company, fire-escape; No. 212 Fulton-street, Mrs. Ann Morris, fire-escape; No. 212 Greenwich-street, Hunt Smith, fire-escape; No. 214 Greenwich-street, Mr. Hull, fire-escape, scuttle and ladder; No. 216 Greenwich-street, E. Miller, fire-escape, scuttle and ladder; No. 218 Washington-street, W. G. Wilcox & Co., fire-escape, scuttle and ladder; No. 215 Washington-street, Thos. L. Clark, fire-escape; No. 225 Washington-street, Rheinlander estate, scuttle and ladder; Nos. 229 and 231 Washington-street, Rheinlander estate, fire-escape.

Confirmation of Assessment Lists.

At a meeting of the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments, held at the Controller's office, on Wednesday, Jan. 15, the following assessment lists were confirmed, viz.:

Thirtieth-street—Paving-stone blocks, First-avenue to East River.

Sixtieth and Sixty-sixth streets—Sewers, between Avenue A and Third-avenue.

Nineteenth-street—Belgian paving, Sixth to Tenth-avenue.

One Hundred and Nineteenth-street—Belgian paving, Third-avenue to Avenue A.

Fifty-fifth-street—Belgian paving, Eighth to Tenth-avenue.

Ninth-avenue—Belgian paving, Fourteenth to Twenty-third-street.

Vandam-street—Belgian paving, Macdougal to Greenwich-street.

One Hundred and Fourth-street—Sewer, between Third and Fourth avenues, and in One Hundred and Fifth-street, between Second and Third avenues.

One Hundred and Fourth-street—Sewer, driving piles, between Third and Fourth avenues.

One Hundred and Twenty-fourth-street—Sewer, between Third and Fourth avenues.

Ludlow-street—Paving, between Canal and Stanton-streets, except between Grand and Broome streets.

Fifty-fourth-street—Belgian paving, from Eighth to Ninth-avenue.

Eldridge-street—Belgian paving, from Division to Houston-street.

Stolen Property Recovered—A Police Captain Injured.

The $500 worth of property stolen from the stables of Gen. Runyon, in Newark, N. J., was yesterday found, under direction of Capt. Irving, of the Central Detective Force. Detectives Tilley and Dusenbury found the trunk containing the property in a liquor-store, at No. 232 Mulberry-street. Chief of Police Rogers, of Newark, was notified, and, coming to this City, identified the property. No trace of the men who had possession of the trunk has been obtained.

On Wednesday evening, as Capt. Williams, of the Twenty-first Precinct Police, was standing at the corner of Third-avenue and Twenty-fourth-street, he noticed two suspicious-looking men crossing Third-avenue carrying a bearskin lap-robe and a heavy plaid shawl, which had evidently been stolen from some sleigh or carriage. Capt. Williams went toward the men, and as they observed him they fled up Twenty-fourth-street toward Lexington-avenue. The Captain started in pursuit, but have gone a very few steps when he slipped and fell on the pavement cutting his right hand severely. Notwithstanding these injuries the Captain sprang to his feet and continued the pursuit, but did not succeed in overhauling the fugitives. At the corner of Twenty-fourth-street and Lexington-avenue the men dropped the property they had been carrying off, and it was secured by Capt. Williams, and is now at the East Thirty-fifth-street Police Station awaiting a claimant.

A Coal-Car Accident in Brooklyn—Two Boys Injured.

At 5 o'clock last evening, a car loaded with coal ran off the track of the elevated railway at Hurlbut & Livingston's coal-yard, at the foot of Joralemon-street, Brooklyn, and fell a distance of fifty feet, on a canal-boat that was lying at the dock. Cornelius Sullivan, aged eleven years, residing at No. 371 Furman-street, and Robert Hogan, aged also eleven years, residing at No. 6 State-street, were struck by the falling car and its contents. The former had both his legs, an arm, and his jaw broken; Hogan was but slightly injured. They were both taken to the Long Island College Hospital. It is thought that the boy Sullivan cannot possibly recover; his injuries are of a most painful character and his sufferings intense.

The Greenville Reform Movement.

The Greenville Street Commissioners met last night in special session. Mr. J. O. Seymour occupied the chair. It was stated that the special election held in December, when a majority vote was given in favor of consolidation, was null and void, because the charter of Jersey City, passed in 1871, does not contain any provision permitting the annexation of outlying townships, as did the act of 1870, which was repealed. The resolution authorizing the joint meeting was passed, and the meeting adjourned.

NEW-YORK AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

All, except ten, of the conductors of the Harlem Railroad have returned to duty.

The Grand Jury in the United States Circuit Court, yesterday, came into Court with only four indictments.

The Gilbert Elevated Railroad Company have not yet decided upon the route to be taken by their proposed line.

Rev. Dr. Wm. Neilson MacVickar, rector of the Holy Trinity Church of Harlem, has declined the call tendered him last week from St. Paul's Church.

The County Auditors office was open until 9 o'clock last evening, for the purpose of paying inspectors, poll clerks and landlords, for duty during the late election.

The Thomas Wildey Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd-fellows last night celebrated its third anniversary at the Walhalla, in Orchard-street, by a ball.

Patrick Leonard, a little boy residing with his parents at No. 324 East Twenty-fifth-street, died yesterday from having fallen into a tub of boiling water on his day previous.

Jules Nadler, thirty-five years old, a native of France, was found dead yesterday morning at No. 58 Greene-street, having committed suicide by shooting himself through the head.

The residence of Mr. Franklin P. Barker, No. 647 Second-avenue, was visited by sneak-thieves, on Wednesday evening, and was robbed of wearing apparel valued at $130.

On Tuesday afternoon, a little girl, aged eight years, was knocked down and robbed at Thirty-ninth-street, near Sixth-avenue, by a ruffian, one of a gang who watch for children sent by their parents on messages.

A young ruffian, named Denis Shee, was committed by Justice Coulter yesterday, for snatching a pocket-book containing $15 from Mrs. Chatfield, of No. 251 East Forty-eighth-street.

Herman Schoenherr, a German, fifty-six years of age, of No. 36 Orchard-street, was found, yesterday